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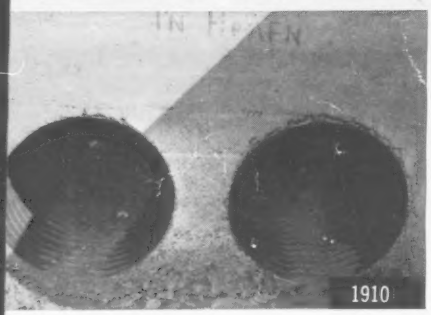

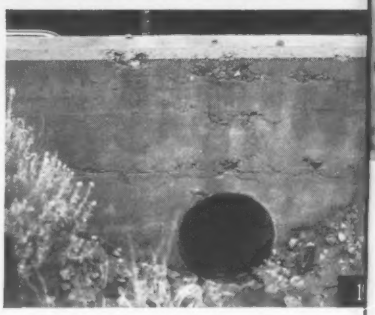

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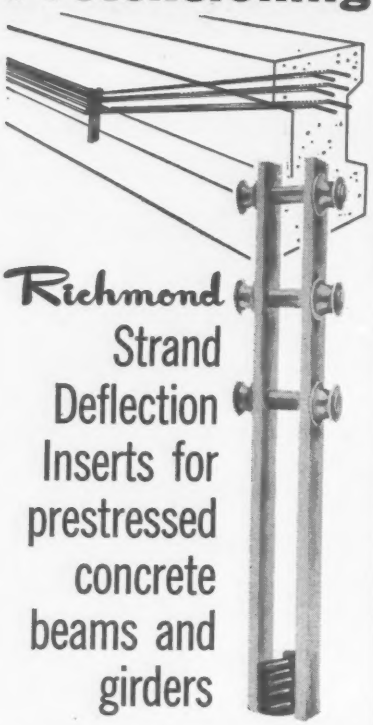

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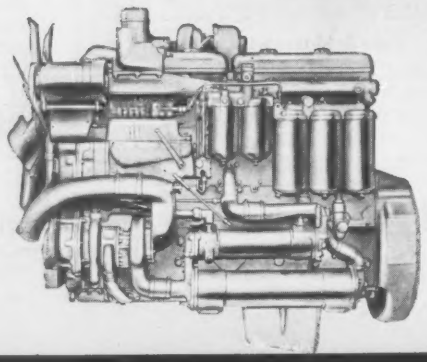

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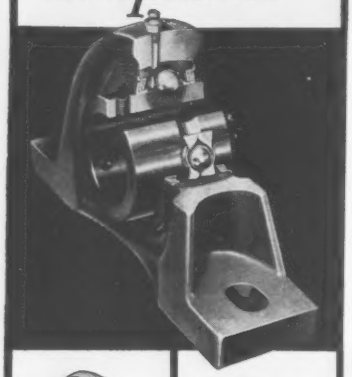

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Reader Comment

High-Strength Bar Test

SIR—Your editorial on high strength reinforcing (ENR March 3, p. 92) and the report by George Winter and Eivind Hognestad at the annual meeting of the Highway Research Board in February add firm support to studies reported by F. A. Richards, M. J. Greaves and J. J. Stewart from 1954 to 1959.

In these studies, laboratory beams that were alike except for grade of reinforcement were tested under identical loading conditions—both statically and dynamically. The studies showed:

Beams reinforced with hard-grade reinforcing steel consistently out-performed beams with intermediate-grade or structural-grade steel in tests of both static and dynamic elastic-load capacity and static and dynamic ultimate-load capacity.

Review of an extensive literature showed no test data to indicate that structural or intermediate-grade steel is better than hard-grade steel for reinforcement against damage due to heavy simulated-blast loads. Moreover, the studies showed that whatever ductility a reinforcing bar has in excess of about 3% elongation (in a 8-in. gage length) serves no useful purpose as beam or slab reinforcement, since concrete starts to disintegrate when the strain in the steel reaches about 3%.

The studies by Mavis and co-workers were conducted at Carnegie Institute of Technology and published in two sound motion pictures and in the following papers: Mavis and Richards, "Impulse Testing of Concrete Beams," JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN CONCRETE INSTITUTE, Sept., 1955, p. 93; Mavis and Greaves, "Destructive Impulse Loading of Reinforced Concrete Beams," JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN CONCRETE INSTITUTE, Sept., 1957, p. 233, and discussion, March, 1958, p. 811; Mavis and Greaves, "Instrumentation and Method for Impulse Testing of Reinforced Concrete Beams," ASTM BULLETIN, Dec., 1957, p. 43; Greaves and Mavis, "Inelastic Behavior of Impulsively Loaded Beams," TRANSACTIONS OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS, vol. 124 (1959), p. 395; Mavis and Stewart, "Further Tests of Dynamically Loaded Beams," JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN CONCRETE INSTITUTE, May 1959, p. 1215. Bibliographic notes in the papers cited tie in over 120 references.

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Progress Passes Pioneers

SIR—I read with interest the editorial "The Future Civil Engineer" (ENR Feb. 25, page 128).

The editorial states that the fragmentation of engineering into a mounting number of specialties can place the civil engineer in a more commanding position in the future than he has ever enjoyed in the past.

In the colleges however, there is a swing away from civil engineering toward more exciting branches of engineering.

This situation, maybe, isn't too pessimistic, but the cure cannot be expected from the civil engineering educator alone. While the educators are seriously studying the problem (Conference at Cooper Union's Green Engineering Camp, Ringwood, N. J.), there is very little evidence of awareness about the problem outside the college halls.

The profession of civil engineering today is mostly represented by the generation of engineers who graduated from college about 25 to 40 years ago, when this country's rapid growth demanded quantities of college educated people for all fields.

The majority of these civil engineers advanced with time and contributed so much to the growth and progress of civil engineering that they are the true pioneers in the profession of civil engineering.

However today there are too many outdated civil engineers who refuse to accept the progress and latest developments in civil engineering, but still are in charge of a large number of finely trained younger civil engineers.

The other so-called more exciting branches of engineering made revolutionary progress during and after the Second World War, and forced out all engineers who didn't advance in the course of progress. This challenge is attracting young men.

The outdated category of engineers together with the outdated building codes and regulations, I think, cast the blackest shadow in the entire profession of civil engineering today.

ERNEST KALVE
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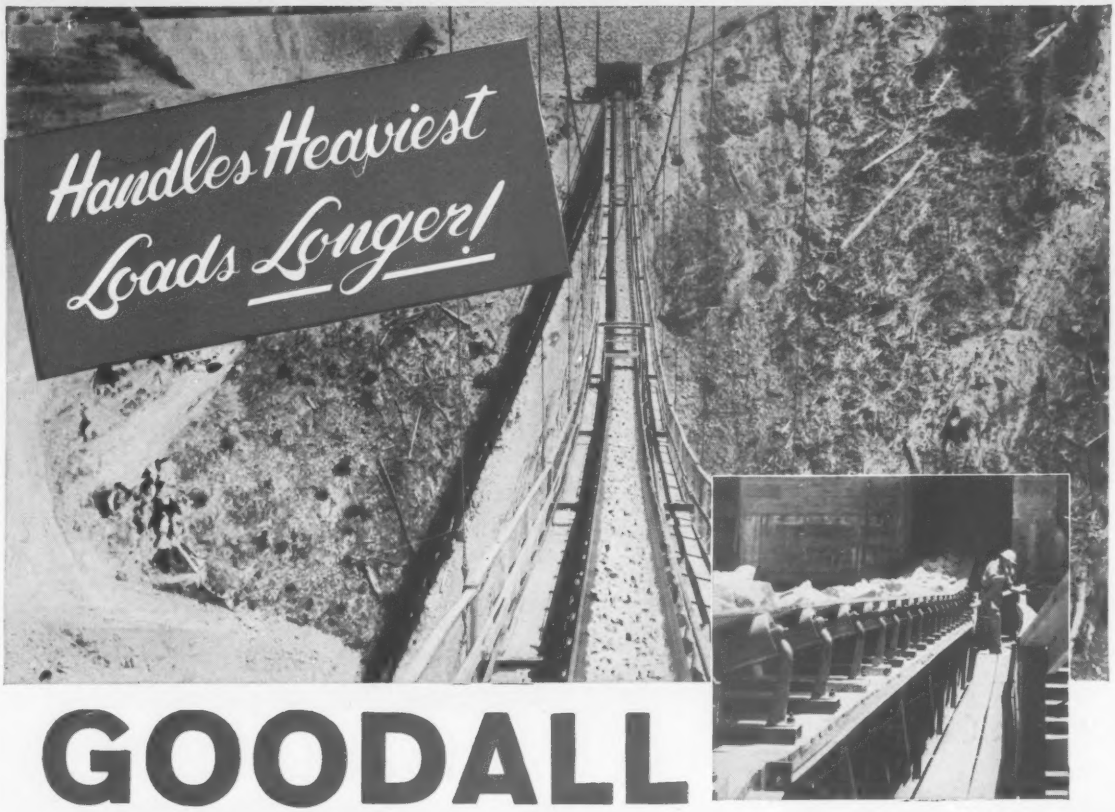
▶ It was with great satisfaction that I read your editorial "The Future Civil Engineer" (ENR Feb. 25, page 128).

It is time for the general public to understand that the civil engineer is not only a man in dirty dungarees and a hard hat.

Our handicap as civil engineers is that much of our work is done in the open. Every citizen can see the digging of foundations, pouring of concrete, erection of steel, and so forth. However the work which the civil engineer does behind the scenes, making a design which often has to overcome great dif-



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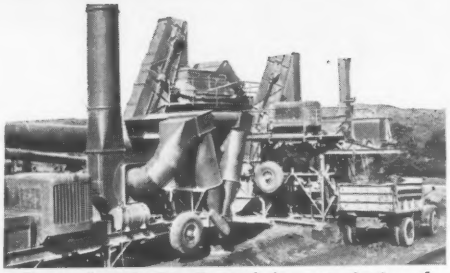

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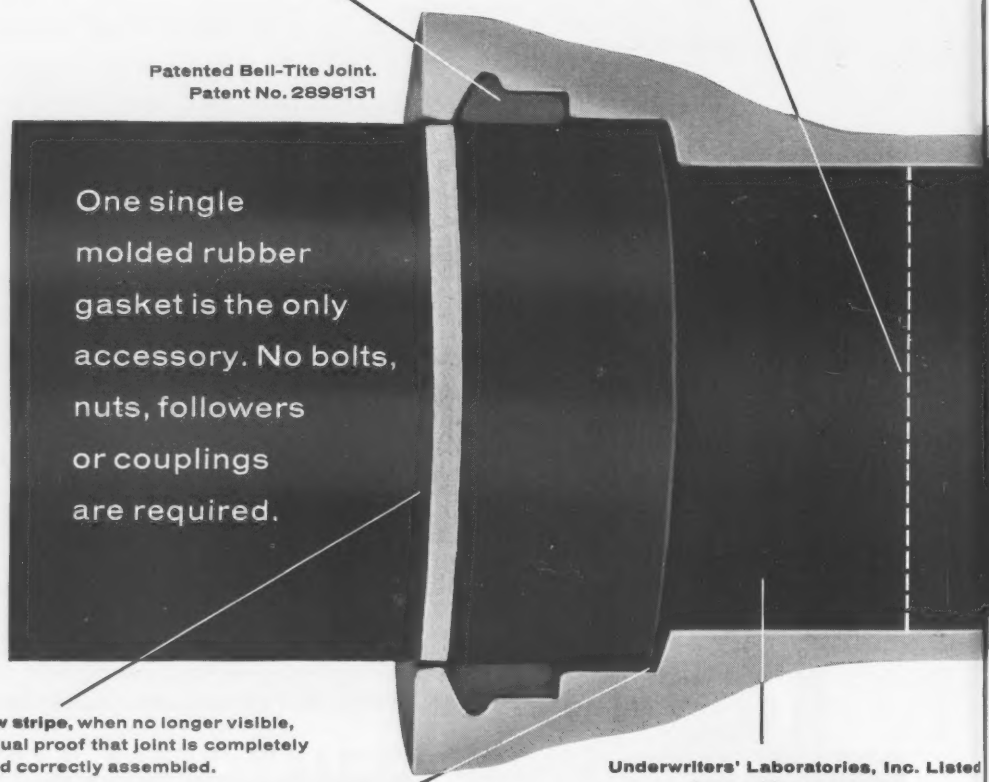

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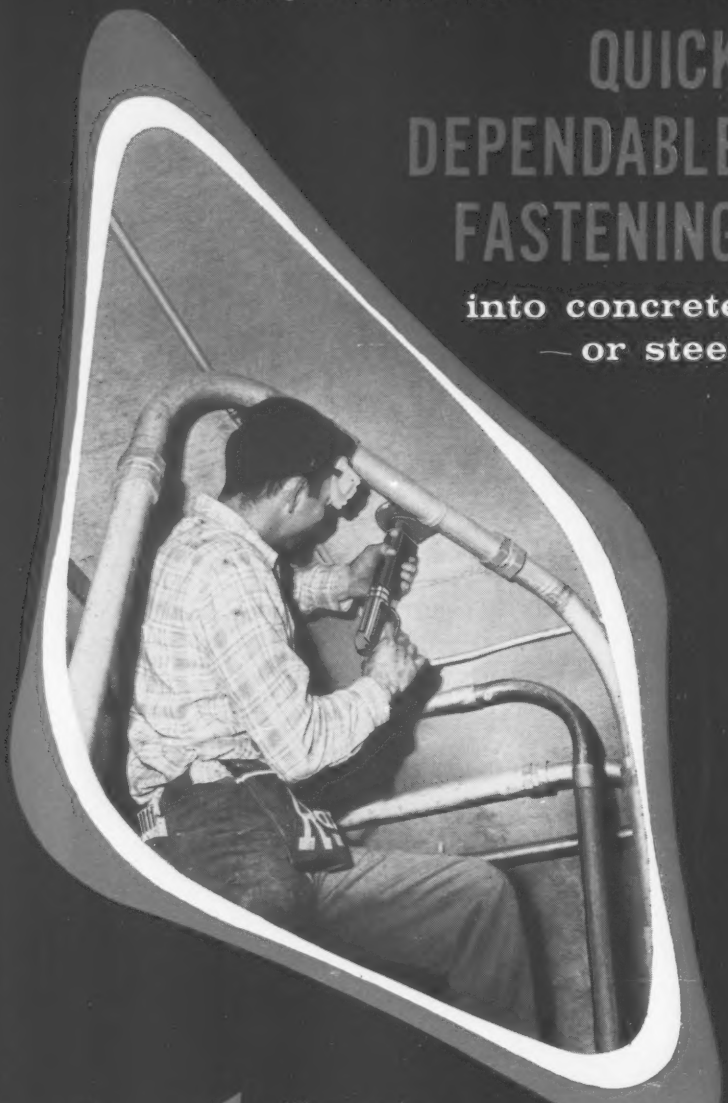

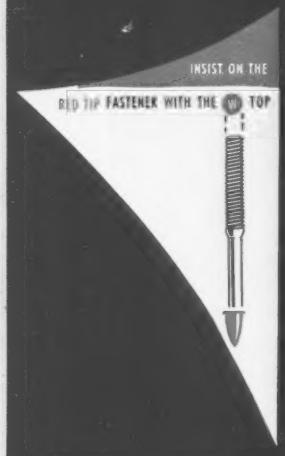

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CHARLES M. J. W. KOHLER
Consulting Civil Engineer
New York, N. Y.

Credit Where It's Due

Kaiser Engineers International, Inc., was the contractor on the Asuncion, Paraguay, municipal water supply system completed recently (ENR Feb. 25, p. 60). Rader and Associates was the architect-engineer.

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Municipal and Industrial Waste Conference, annual meeting, State College Campus, Raleigh, N. C., Apr. 7-8. Write: The Division of College Extension, P. O. Box 5125, State College Station, Raleigh, N. C.

Conference on Composite Design in Steel and Concrete for Bridges and Buildings, Case Institute of Technology, Cleveland, Ohio, Apr. 20. Write: John B. Scalzi, Department of Civil Engineering and Mechanics, Case Institute of Technology, Cleveland, Ohio.

American Welding Society, annual convention and exposition, Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif., Apr. 25-29. Write: American Welding Society, 33 West 39th St., New York 18, New York.

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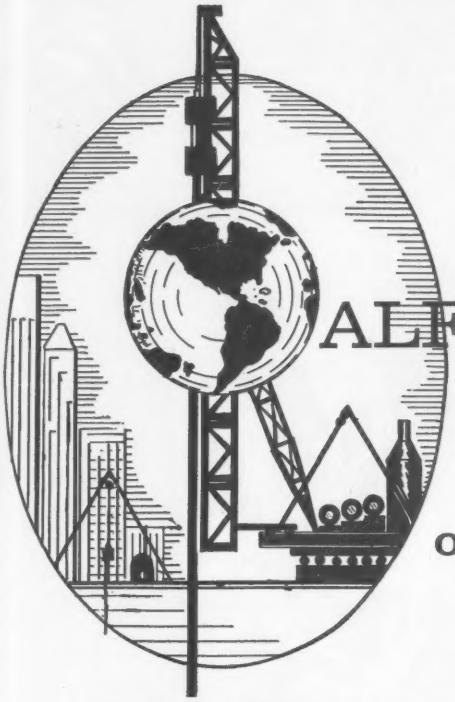

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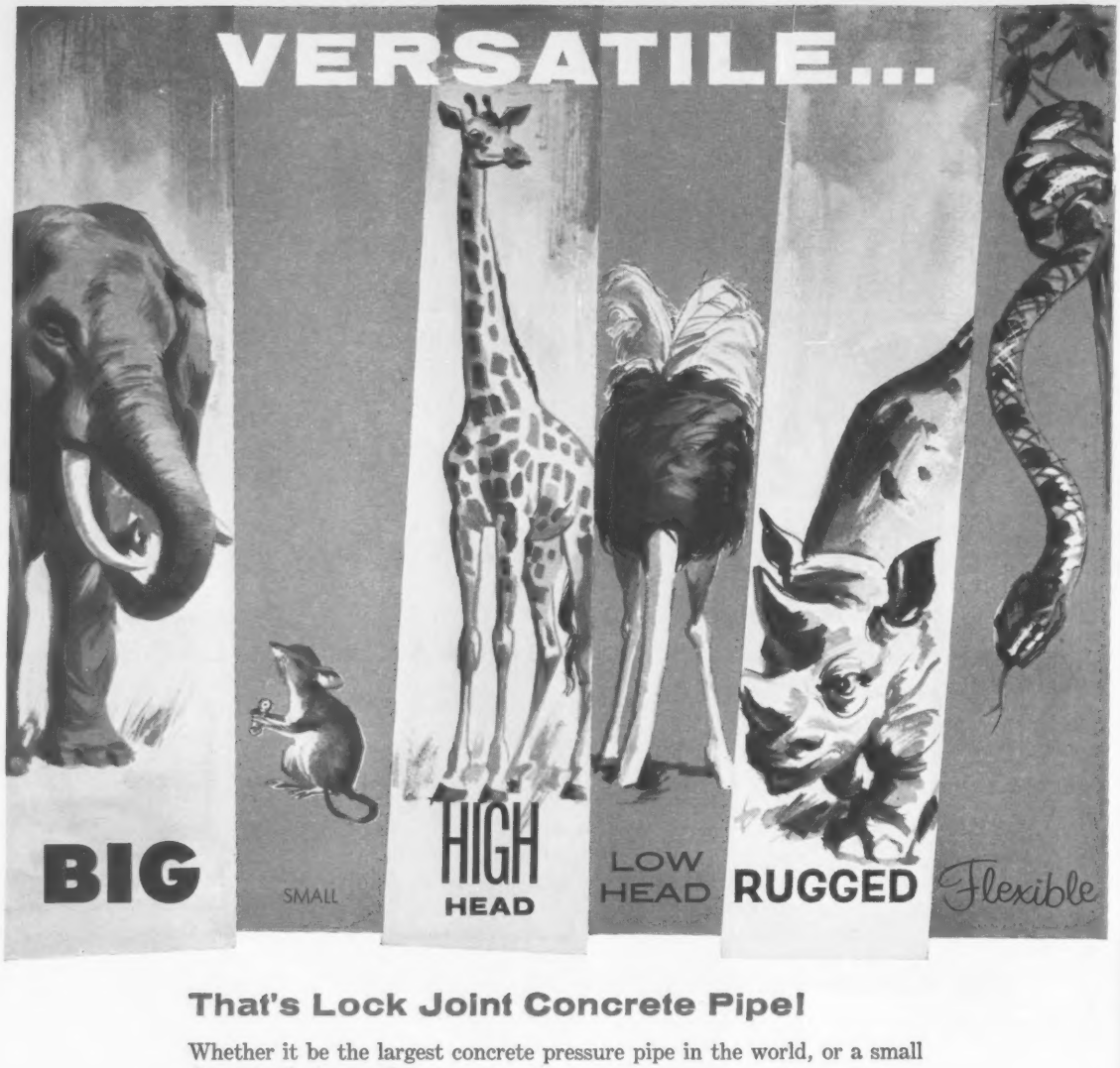

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THE CONSTRUCTION WEEK

AND NOW, A PRIVATE EAR—One of the newest recruits of the House subcommittee investigating the Interstate highway program is Baron I. Shacklette, who was chief investigator of the House Special Subcommittee on Legislative Oversight, until he was found on the receiving end of a wire attached to a microphone hidden in Bernard Goldfine's hotel room. Mr. Goldfine was testifying about charges that he had given expensive gifts to Sherman Adams, then assistant to President Eisenhower. The subcommittee unanimously condemned Mr. Shacklette, who resigned. Now he has a $13,000-a-year job investigating highway work.

COSTS UP AGAIN—ENR's 20-Cities Construction and Building Cost indexes are higher this month. The Construction Cost Index at 813.58 sets a new record. The Building Cost Index at 555.23, however, remains below the record 556.01 set Aug. 20, 1959. Both indexes are based on 1913=100. Wage boosts are responsible for the cost increases.

EITHER WAY, THE FERRY LOSES—Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp., with Dorman Long Ltd., an English firm, and Compagnie Francaise d'Enterprises of Paris has proposed a bridge across the English Channel. It would be 21 miles long, 100 ft wide and more than 200 ft above water. It would cost $560 million and take five years to build. A channel tunnel has already been recommended to the governments of England and France (ENR Mar. 31, p. 25).

FOR MISSILE HEADROOM—Workmen are raising the first of many highway bridges that require more clearance to meet the new requirements of the Interstate System (ENR Feb. 4, p. 23). The bridge is near Jackson, Mich. Hydraulic jacks were used to raise prestressed concrete girders and connecting diaphragms 1 ft 9 in. above the original position. Estimated additional cost: $18,000.

BUBBLES HAVE A BLOWOUT—The natural effervescence of air under pressure in porous ground is finding concentrated outlets along old piles on a Boston sewer tunneling job. Last week the third minor blowout since the job started spewed mud 15 ft in the air at the surface. Down below in the tunnel, you could hardly tell the difference, says an engineer of MacLean Grove & Co., Inc., the contractor.

SPRING IS LEAKING OUT ALL OVER—Melting snows, ice jams and torrential rains wrought havoc throughout the nation this week. Record breaking high water flooded many areas in the Middle West, washing out highways and bridges. Biggest break occurred in central Illinois where the Mississippi River burst a levee and flooded 30,000 acres of rich farmland.

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WASHINGTON OBSERVER

- Corps layoffs coming
- More houses than we know about?
- Opinions on public housing
- Anti-discrimination efforts fail

● **The Corps of Engineers will have to lay off engineers, draftsmen, inspectors and other such civilian personnel.** Reductions won't hit all districts, but cuts appear inevitable in the South Pacific and North Atlantic divisions, among others. There's a shortage of work.

One reason: a decline in Army and Air Force construction handled by the Engineers. Construction spending for those two services this year is $250 million below fiscal '59; Air Force spending alone will decline another $250 million next year.

California's Gov. Pat Brown has protested the impending cuts in the South Pacific Division. He wants to know why the Army plans to lay off experienced engineers at a time when water resource development in the area requires their skills.

Some of the reduction will come from normal attrition—not hiring to fill new vacancies. Those who are laid off will be referred to other districts or agencies where there are job prospects.

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● **Homebuilders may have been erecting 20% more houses than available statistics indicate.** That speculation comes from government officials working on a new basis for counting starts, which will be put into effect soon.

The Census Bureau has been working on new statistical standards since it got the chore of estimating housing starts last year. (It took over the task from the Bureau of Labor Statistics when BLS took on the job of analyzing unemployment-employment statistics.)

Improved and expanded reporting might show an additional 200,000 or more starts a year, government officials estimate. It depends on what additional categories of units are to be included in the new series. New farm homes, not counted up to now, are sure to be included.

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● **A variety of views on the problems and the future of public housing will be published next week.** They have been assembled in letter form by the Housing and Home Finance Agency from labor leaders, city planners, builders, economists, municipal authorities, business leaders and minority groups.

These two notes recur: The government has some responsibility in helping to provide decent housing for low-income families; some form of public assistant is essential.

The 150-page booklet is called "View on Public Housing." It contains no official commentary or conclusions. A limited number of copies is available. Write the Housing and Home Finance Agency, Washington 25, D. C.

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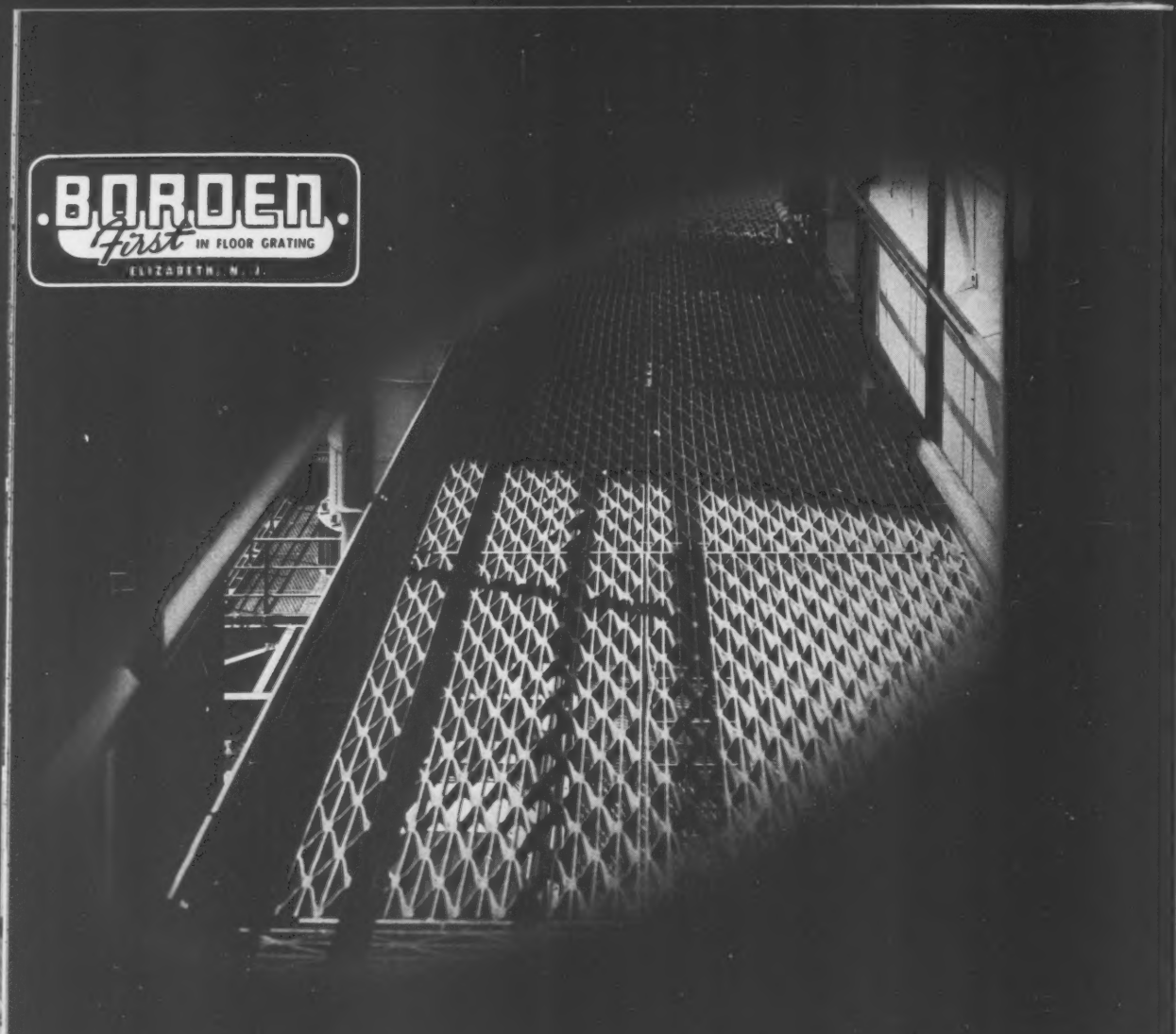
● **The Senate last week buried a proposal that would have established a permanent group to take over the work of the President's Committee on Government Contracts,** which has been seeking equal job opportunities for Negroes on government contracts. On the motion of Republican Leader Everett Dirksen (Ill.), the Senate tabled the proposal—an amendment to the civil rights bill. It had been deleted earlier by the House.



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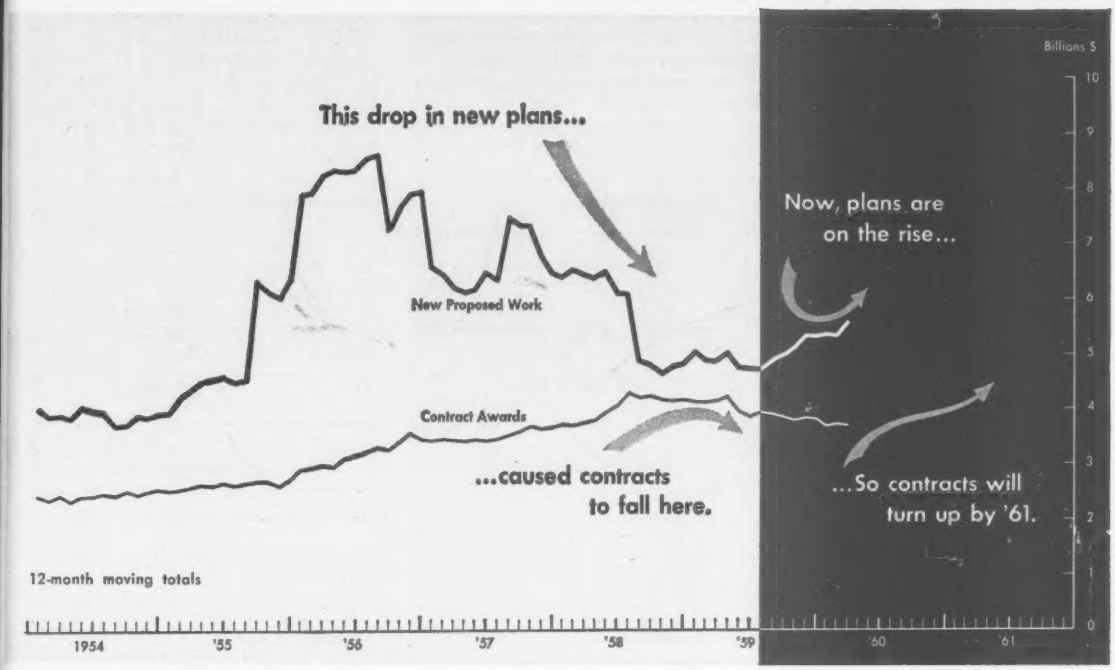


Public Works Gets Set to Sprint

By James Webber

The 1957-58 contract award recession is a dimming memory for those construction men who capitalized on the rebound in private heavy construction in '59 and '60. But thousands of other contractors still live in a recession because their bread and butter is public works—spread sparingly on the bidding tables during the past year.

This belt-tightening will soon be over, boys. The main course you've been hoping for is on the way.

To start with, highways and bridge contracts are going to soar this month. In fact, contractors should chalk up more highway and bridge awards than in any other April-June period on record. Widespread bid calls in recent weeks have already alerted contractors to this prospect. (ENR will pin down prospects state by state in the April 21 issue, which will report the results of ENR's 1960 survey of state highway departments' contracting budgets.)

***ENR's Jim Webber** is an economist who shuns ifs, ands, and buts in his forecasting. You'll find no hedging in his indication of a public works upturn, which he bases largely on ENR's exclusive Backlog figures.*

What's really new is that even without this resurgence in highways and bridges, the state and local construction market is about to turn the corner. The tip-off: New projects other than highways and bridges have been pouring on the drawing boards in sharply increased volume during the past six months. The chart above shows this reversal of the long downtrend in proposed projects entering the planning stage from late '56 through the summer of '58. After bottoming out over the last half of '58 and most of '59, proposed projects have spurted.

It will take several more months for this increase in planning activity to produce enough new jobs coming up for bids to tilt the contract curve up. It generally takes 12 to 24 months for a step-up in plans to bring an increase in bid calls. So it's possible that by next fall contracts for other types of public construction will follow the lead of highways and bridges.

Certainly contractors can count on a substantial increase in many types of public works awards by the spring of 1961. So in planning for 1960 operations—hiring and training crews and ordering new equipment—contractors can feel assured that these preparations will continue to pay off into next year.

Meanwhile, contracts for projects other than highways and bridges will probably remain below their 1958 and 1959 rates. That's because the long lag time between the start of plans and the call for bids will stretch the effects of the 1956-58 slide in proposed work well into 1960 advertising and contracting schedules.

The two necessary ingredients are in hand for the upturn. A rise in plans alone doesn't guarantee a future increase in contracts. The second prerequisite for a contract upturn is money.

Increasing sales of state and municipal construction bonds this year, up 3% over '59 according to ENR figures for the first three months, is evidence that the money is now abuilding in anticipation of letting more contracts.

In fact, the news from the financing side is doubly good, because not only are more bonds sold, but the voters are approving more bond issues for future sale. Bond approvals in the first three months jumped 64% over last year, the Bond Buyer reports. The $455 million approved is the highest January-March total since 1956, when new plans hit their peak rate.

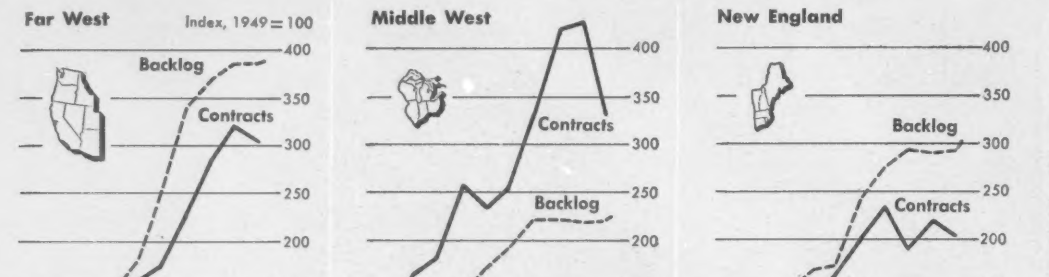
(Turn the page)

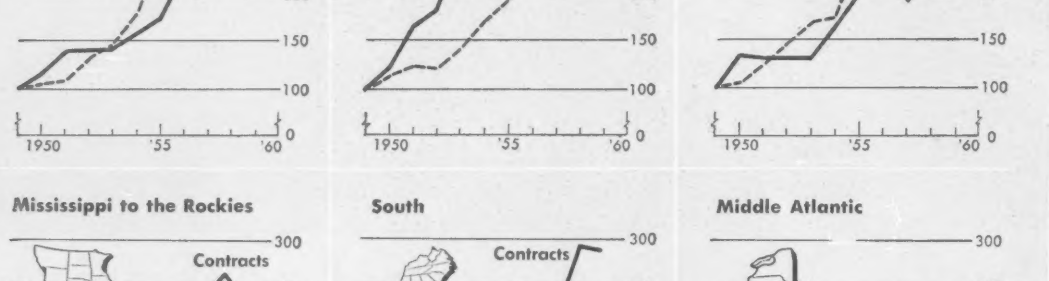
Still another favorable development of the financing side is this year's turndown in interest rates on municipal bonds. Cheaper interest probably helped to entice a larger volume of new bond issues into the capital market.

If interest rates move further below their late '59 high or just stay close to where they are now, the outlook for state and local financing and thus for future contracts is that much brighter.

But even if demand for new capital leads investors to raise the price of money, this would probably not keep public works contracts from rising. That's because it is becoming increasingly apparent that interest rates are "up" to stay. Downward movement will probably be only temporary opportunities for state and local agencies to save interest charges. At the same time, there's no reason to expect interest rates to move much above their 1959 high during the next year or two.

This is a good time to buy construction. Although some taxpayers have blamed rising construction costs for dimming their enthusiasm for needed new public works proposed in 1957 or '58, this reasoning recently lost its validity. Contractors actually sold much new construction in 1959 for the same price as or less than, comparable jobs bid in 1956. This is true despite the fact that contractors now pay record high prices for construction materials,





Schools Spark Municipal Bond Sales Rise . . .

Compiled by ENR, in millions of dollars

	First Three Months					Change
	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960	'59–'60 %
Total Bond Sales	1,218	1,440	1,875	1,645	1,699	+ 3
Heavy Construction	717	650	1,150	995	832	−16
Waterworks	132	122	133	165	87	−48
Sewerage	139	104	113	118	115	− 3
Bridges	12	1	4	8	6	−31
Highways	240	129	300	122	152	+25
Earthwork, dams, waterways	4	6	352	264	125	−53
Other	191	288	248	317	348	+10
Electric & gas utilities	...	55	51	29	85	+190
Airports	...	66	36	147	53	−64
Parking facilities	...	9	4	6	14	+132
Unclassified	...	158	157	135	196	+45
Buildings	501	790	724	650	867	+33
Schools	428	595	471	387	594	+53
Housing	20	42	20	31	12	−61
Other building	53	153	233	232	261	+12

While State and Municipal Contracts Dip

Reported by ENR, in millions of dollars

	First Three Months			Change
	1958	1959	1960	'59–'60 %
Total Contract Awards	1,655	1,673*	1,636*	− 2
Heavy Construction	1,085	1,137	1,162	+ 2
Waterworks	58	113	76	−32
Sewerage	145	141	137	− 3
Bridges	102	152	212	+39
Highways	619	622	643	+ 3
Airports	17	27	21	−22
Tunnels & subways	4	33	19	−42
Earthwork-dams-waterways and other	140	49	54	+10
Buildings	570	536	474	−12
Other than housing	465	473	394	−17
Public housing	105	63	80	+27

*Include Alaska and Hawaii:
Alaska—$0.8 million in '60; $0 in '59.
Hawaii—$11.5 million in '60; $0 in '59.

manpower, machines and money. To offer these bargains, contractors have trimmed profit margins and are working their ingenuity overtime to cut costs.

Today's low prices largely reflect the fierce competition for new jobs. (See p. 98 for a sample.) This race is accelerating in 1960 as fewer public works jobs become available. With contractors' capacity far exceeding even the record amount of public works taken on in 1958, there's plenty of room for demand to expand without tipping the scale against public works buyers—and driving bid prices significantly higher.

The slower pace of initiating new plans in 1956-59 reflected mainly these three factors: the general business recession, which sharpened voter opposition to added tax burdens and curbed tax revenue growth; the rapid increase in state and local spending for construction or other purposes outstripped the rise in revenues, creating serious fiscal problems; and climbing interest rates on state and municipal bonds, up some 60% or more between mid-'55 and mid-'59 (based on Standard & Poor's data).

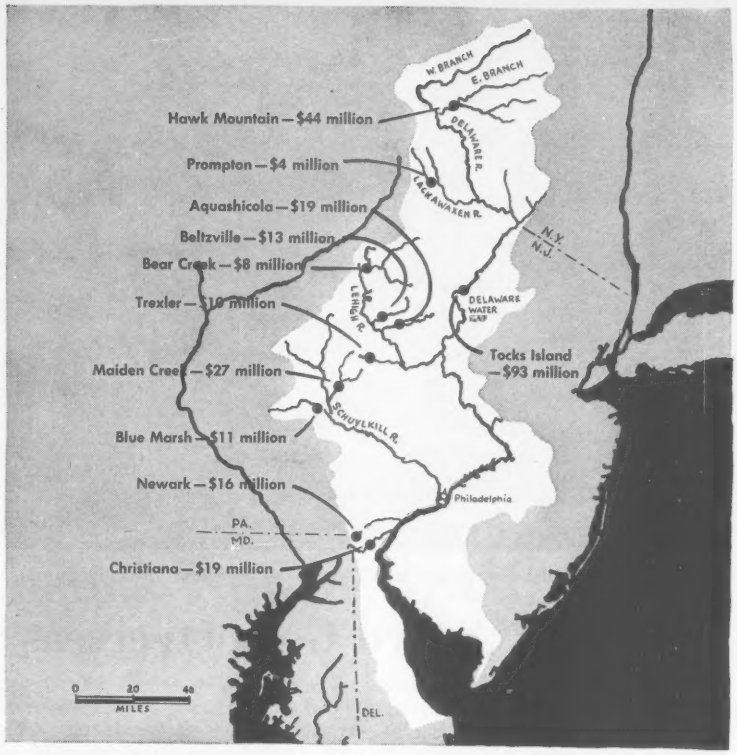
These same factors that crimped new plans had much less effect on contracting schedules. In fact, contracts soared to a record high in 1958, saving many a contractor's business in '58 because private work slumped to a five-year low.

By contrast, state and local construction sagged in '59 and '60, while private works surged ahead strong.

Thus, the public works market of 1957-60 has been a "contra-cyclical" influence in the heavy construction market—a stabilizer that helps to keep total new business on a more even keel in this traditionally cyclical market.

That this can be a good thing for the industry and its customers is poignantly demonstrated by what happened in the rip-roaring boom of 1956. Then, private construction and public works both rocketed so high that materials shortages cropped out, equipment got scarce and labor overtime became common. Price premiums, delivery delays and overtime pushed costs up fast. Contractors quickly passed along the increases—and anticipated further increases by bidding sharply higher prices on new projects. Many customers paid premium prices and some others were temporarily priced out of the market. Inflation probably stole $2 billion or more in facilities needed by the U.S. economy.

This new balance-wheel function played by the public works market is largely a result of the long lag between planning start and construction start. It's not intentional, but while it's happening the industry might as well enjoy it . . . and profit by it.



Eleven major projects are the backbone of the Corps' latest . . .

Delaware Development Plan

A near-final recommendation for the development of the Delaware River Basin has been released by the Philadelphia District Corps of Engineers. The result of several years of intensive study, the plan has as its backbone the construction of 11 major reservoirs that would cost $264 million.

Public hearings will be held in the four states affected (Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey and Delaware) beginning next week. Then the final plan goes to the state governors and other civil authorities, the Chief of Engineers and finally, to Congress.

The 50-year program is aimed at multiple benefits: water supply, flood control, power, pollution control and recreation.

Here are the 11 major projects in the recommended order of development:

Project	*Location*
Beltzville	Pohopoco Creek, Pa.
Blue Marsh	Tulpenhocken Creek, Pa.
Trexler	Jordan Creek, Pa.
Prompton*	Lackawaxen River, Pa.
Tocks Island	Delaware River, N. J., Pa.
Newark	White Clay Creek, Del.
Christiana	Christina River, Del.
Aquashicola	Aquashicola Creek, Pa.
Maiden Creek	Maiden Creek, Pa.
Bear Creek*	Lehigh River, Pa.
Hawk Mountain	E. Branch Delaware R., N. Y.

* Modification of existing flood-control project.

In addition to the major reservoirs, studies of the intermediate upstream tributaries show the need for 42 small flood-control reservoirs.

Only two projects, Tocks Island and Hawk Mountain, will have hydroelectric facilities. Installed capacities would be 46,000 kw and 21,000 kw respectively.

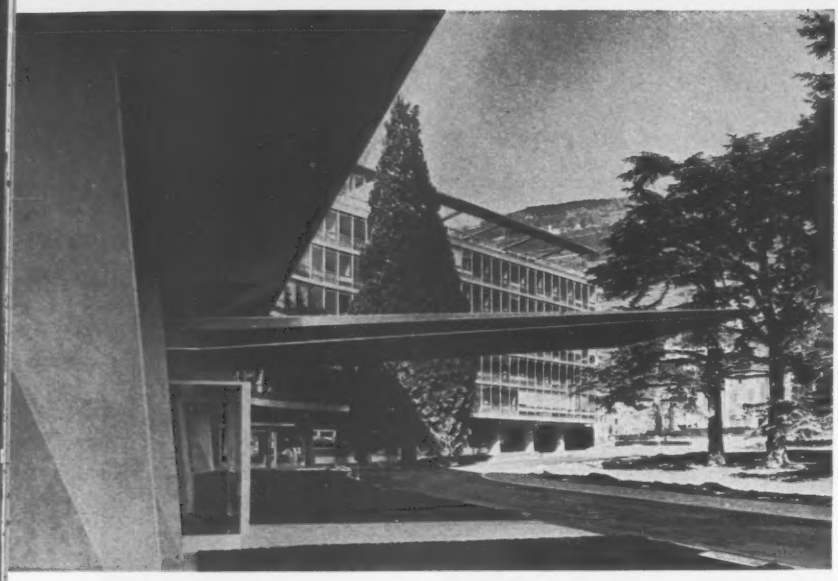
Basis for the water supply benefits outlined in the plan is the anticipated doubling of the 21-million population of the basin over the next 50 years. Water withdrawals from the Delaware and its tributaries are expected to increase fourfold to 14 billion gpd.

The Corps claims the recommended projects would eliminate 35% of the average annual flood damage.

Flood protection in the uppermost reaches of the basin would remain under existing soil conservation and land treatment programs of the Department of Agriculture, according to the plan.

Although the increased flows afforded by the program will have an incidentally beneficial effect on pollution control, the Corps emphasized the importance of maintaining and improving the existing control programs.

The major water control projects will provide recreation facilities for 23 million visitors annually.



This building on Lake Geneva won $25,000 for architect Jean Tschumi.

Aluminum Award Goes Overseas

Looking for original and creative design in aluminum, the American Institute of Architects reached out to Switzerland to make its 1960 Reynolds Memorial Award.

Winner of the $25,000 annual prize, the largest international architectural award, is Prof. Jean Tschumi for his design of the seven-story Nestle Administration Building on Lake Geneva in Vevey, Switzerland.

Criterion for the award is design of the foremost contemporary structure in the world whose creative use of aluminum could significantly influence the architecture of our time, according to the AIA. Walter Gropius, chairman of the AIA jury that picked this year's winner, said the jury unanimously decided that "Jean Tschumi has made sensitive use of aluminum in a previously little explored manner."

Entrance canopies of aluminum cantilevering 33½ ft from the building, vertical louvers and horizontal sunbreakers are the first and most noticeable applications of aluminum on the building. But Professor Tschumi also used the metal from baseboard to light fixtures throughout the interior.

The AIA jury noted that sun-control devices—they vary in scale and extent around the Y-shaped building—in no way impair the design of the structure. In fact, outside they help to cut up the expanse of windows while in no way obstructing the view from within.

Basement and ground floors of the headquarters are reinforced concrete. Upper floors are welded steel frame with concrete filled steel decking. In the main wing, a central core at the Y-end of the building contains elevators and service ducts. A double spiral staircase, framed in steel but sheathed in aluminum, rises there from ground level to roof.

Too many standard shapes plus many existing building codes may be holding U. S. designers back, according to the AIA jury. Commenting on other structures nominated for the 1960 award, the jury in its report said that "the lack of imaginative use and sensitive detail in some United States entries may reflect the ready availability of standard and pre-engineered building components in the United States and restraints imposed by U. S. building codes and insurance requirements."

The jury was impressed by the general high standards of design but felt that aluminum in curtain walls or as a sheathing material is well established and by itself not sufficient to qualify under terms of the award.

Professor Tschumi has architectural offices in Paris and in Lausanne, Switzerland. In addition to his practice, he has been professor of architecture at the Polytechnic School of the University of Lausanne since 1943. Between 1954 and 1958 he served two terms as president of the International Union of Architects.

Serving with Mr. Gropius on the award jury that picked Professor Tschumi's entry were Philip Will, Jr., FAIA of Chicago; Arthur Fehr, FAIA of Austin, Tex.; C. E. Pratt, FRAIC of Vancouver, B. C.; and James M. Hunter, FAIA of Boulder, Colo.

BPR Joins Investigators Of a Much Tested Highway

The 51st Street by-pass in Tulsa, Okla., has become one of the most tested sections of the Interstate Highway System as the Bureau of Public Roads joined three other agencies in drilling cores from it.

A BPR crew will check on the findings of the three other groups.

A special subcommittee of the House Public Works Committee is investigating reports that the road shows wear only a year after its completion (ENR Mar. 31, p. 20). The subcommittee also took cores.

A Tulsa grand jury drilled the highway before indicting three partners of Layman & Sons, of Tulsa, on a charge of fraud in construction of the by-pass.

The Oklahoma State Highway Department made core tests last September and reported no evidence of faulty construction.

Levitt Lifts Racial Bars At His New Jersey Tract

Homebuilder William Levitt will integrate his 15,000-unit Levittown III in Burlington, N. J. Thus ends two years of controversy and litigation over his original intention to restrict the development to white buyers.

The new policy follows a decision by the New Jersey Supreme Court that the state's antidiscrimination law applies to housing sold with mortgages insured by the Federal Housing Administration (ENR Feb. 18, p. 150).

First sale to a Negro will probably be made this month.

Although Levitt & Sons has appealed the verdict to the U. S. Supreme Court, the public announcement indicated the company had little hope of a reversal.

Work to Start This Month On Second Norfolk Tunnel

Construction of a $22-million second vehicular tunnel between Portsmouth and Norfolk, Va., will begin this month, according to an announcement by the Elizabeth River Tunnel Commission.

The commission awarded an $11.6-million contract for the underwater section of the tunnel to the Diamond Construction Co., Savannah, Ga. Diamond will construct 300-ft-long tunnel sections at an off-site location, float the sections into position, then sink them into a trench.

The new tunnel will measure 4,194 ft, portal to portal, and have approximately 600 ft of approach roadways.

Design and construction supervision of the second tunnel is handled by Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Quade & Douglas, New York consultants.

Earth Dam Washes Out in Brazil

An 85-ft-high, 1,500-ft-long earth dam still under construction partly gave way to overtopping floods in northeast Brazil. The high water went over the embankment first at one side, then the other, and finally took out a center section.

Sketchy information reaching ENR indicates that the structure, Oros Dam, has a clay core, sand shell and a stone facing reinforced with cement. The job reportedly involves over 3.5 million cu yd of earthwork.

Workers attempted to avert the dam failure by cutting an emergency spillway through the embankment.

Construction costs so far are said to total over $5 million.

The washout occurred after five days of very heavy rain. The avalanche of water turned loose by the failure caused heavy damage to towns downstream, but advance warnings enabled most persons to escape.

Floods over large areas of northern Brazil are reported to have caused the wash out of hundreds of small dams.

Oros Dam is a project of DNOCS, a Brazilian government irrigation agency. ENR sources report that it is an all-Brazilian project.

Plans call for a 130-sq-mi reservoir stretching 25 miles up the Jaguaribe River and storing 800,000 acre-ft of water. Also projected is a hydroelectric plant with 15,000 kw of generating capacity.

Scheduled completion date was early 1961.

Malpasset Dam's Failure Is Half Solved

A rock rupture under the left-bank foundations, followed by a shift of the abutment, caused the collapse of Malpasset Dam (ENR Dec. 10, 1959, p. 24). That's the verdict of the team of top French engineers investigating the catastrophe.

Their preliminary report to the Minister of Agriculture was released quietly. The report ruled out design errors or faulty construction as possible causes. Recheck of the Coyne and Bellier design calculations for the arch verified the original results.

Blocks of concrete scattered as far as 4,500 ft downstream from the shattered site provided ample evidence that the dam was well built, according to the report. For one thing, blocks from the lower part of the dam were found with pieces of bedrock still attached to them, indicating the foundation-to-bedrock joint had not failed. Another potential weak point, the lift joints, got a clean bill of health when a concrete sample with a lift joint was tested out at essentially the same strength as other samples. All the samples from the blocks had acceptable strength in both compression and tension. After the prophyritic aggregates were checked for alkaline reaction, the investigators concluded that the concrete, steel and placement conformed to standard practices.

From the outset the rock under the left-bank foundations rated as the most likely cause of the dam's collapse. But the investigators ran down several other hypotheses, some of them spawned in the hysteria that followed the catastrophe. Sabotage, earthquakes, meteorites, explosion of munitions found in the lake bed, and a shock wave set up by the opening of the sluice valve were all eliminated in the report as possible causes.

With the cause of the collapse pinned down, the investigators hope now to determine exactly how the rupture of the rock happened. Some of the points they want to clear up are: Whether the watertightness of the bedrock was adequate; how infiltration of water occurred in the dihedral block of bedrock that was carried away on the left bank (the downstream side was practically a continuous plane, but the upstream side was a series of planes corresponding to tectonic fissures); the effect of blasting for a road near the dam; the effect of the torrential rains that preceded the catastrophe.

To get the answers, the investigators plan to make direct tests on the rock in a gallery on the downstream side of the site and to make seismic measurements.

Although the preliminary report states quite clearly that the investigators hope to come up later with recommendations "to prevent the recurrence of a similar catastrophe," there is no indication that they intend to answer the big question—could the possibility of the rock shift have been predicted or prevented, and if so, who was responsible? A legal investigating commission will answer that question.

Around the World . . .

• **Sic transit rapid transit**—Boston's high-speed trolley line, designed to solve the commuter problem and relieve downtown traffic congestion (ENR Nov. 5, 1959, p. 30), is proving to be not only unpopular, but unprofitable. The Metropolitan Transit Authority line into the Western suburbs was expected to attract 35,000 riders a day. The break-even point is 30,000, but the line is carrying only 26,000 passengers a day. Now it has a deficit of more than $400,000.

• **Enclosed mall**—The largest enclosed shopping mall east of the Mississippi is slated for construction in Delaware Township, N. Y., at a cost of $20 million. Sixty retail stores will front on a heated and air-conditioned street enclosed by a precast, prestressed concrete roof.

• **They're off**—Engineering's two ambassadors to Latin America are on their way—they'll be back from the five-nation tour in time to report to the annual meeting of the National Society of Professional Engineers in Boston in June. NSPE picked the pair for the study tour as the result of a contest tied to a fund raising effort. R. D. Chipp and Beatrice A. Hicks won the assignment. They're man and wife and both PE's.

• **Paving of the green**—Ireland's Ministry of Transport and Power has let contracts for construction of a $2.8-million airport near the city of Cork. It will have two runways, one 4,500 ft and the other 3,800 ft, designed to permit future extension. Completion is set for next year.

• **All roads lead to the fair**—The New York World's Fair Corp. has arranged for construction of five expressways to carry people to its 1964 exposition in Flushing Meadow Park. They'll cost $94 million. Other transportation lined up so far includes subways, buses, trains, sightseeing boats that will travel between Manhattan and the fair grounds, and a helicopter service that can carry 2,500 persons per day between the fair and mid-Manhattan.

• **Composite design conference**—Experience with composite design of buildings and bridges will be aired April 20 at Case Institute of Technology, Cleveland. Registration fee of $5 covers cost of textbook.

• **Houston brewery**—Construction of a $30-million brewery for Anheuser-Busch, Inc., will be started early next year in Houston. The brewing firm has asked the Sverdrup and Parcel Engineering Co. of St. Louis to draw up the plans.

• **Dallas market center**—A $35-million market center in Dallas will comprise a 10-story construction materials mart, a trade mart, home furnishings mart, and Market Hall. Architects are Harwell Hamilton Harris and Harold Berry, both of Dallas. Construction on the materials center will begin in late 1960.

• **Big gas bill**—Department of the Interior proposes $225 million of construction for 12 extraction plants in a move to conserve scarce helium. The plants would be located along existing natural gas lines and reportedly save 52 billion cu ft of helium that would otherwise be lost through the kitchen stove.

• **Soviet tidal power**—Tass, the Russian News Agency, says the Soviet Union is planning to build two tidal power stations. The first will be built in the eastern part of Mezen Bay, White Sea, which has the Soviet Union's highest tides, about 23 to 33 ft. The second is planned to be built on Lumbovsky Bay of the Barents Sea.

• **Steel expansion**—The iron and steel complex of the Italian government's Institute of Industrial Reconstruction will spend $700 million over the next five years to double its steel production and triple its output of cast iron. The largest project in the program will be construction of a $270-million iron and steel works at Taranto.

• **Delaware River bridges**—The County Planning Board of Burlington County, N. J., is considering construction of two new vehicular bridges over the Delaware River and two marine terminals on the left bank of the river.

• **New Zealand skyscraper**—A 23-story building, the city's tallest, will go up in downtown Auckland. Estimated to cost $4.5 million, the 260-ft-high structure will be built by the Kerridge-Odeon theater organization. Rigby-Mullan, New Zealand architects, are the designers.

New Bid Depository

San Diego subs establish curb on bid shopping

A bid depository system has been established by the Construction Subcontractors Association of San Diego. It will operate under the name of the Bid Depository of San Diego County.

It is a voluntary operation aimed at eliminating bid shopping. Any awarding authority—architect, engineer, owner, government official, general contractor—may certify the bid depository as the official trustee through which subcontractors, suppliers or others can submit their bids on a specific project.

There is no charge for use of the depository by awarding authorities or general contractors. But once the depository has been appointed for a specific job, the awarding authority must award the contract to the low acceptable bidder in each category for which competitive bids were requested. Categories of work include electrical, plastering, plumbing, painting, roofing and the work of other subs and suppliers.

Bonded employees of the organization receive the sealed bids from the subcontractors, time-stamp the envelopes, and place them in locked boxes until the scheduled bid opening.

Awarding authorities may reject a bid from any bidder, by marking the unopened bid enveloped "rejected," signing it, and returning it to the bid custodian.

The operation of the organization will be financed by a percentage levy on the value of the bid of each successful subcontractor bidder. The fee is ½ of 1% of the bid, with a minimum charge of $5 and a maximum of $250.

Other cities with bid depositories are Seattle, Columbus, Dallas, Ft. Worth, Houston, Fresno, San Francisco, Stockton and St. Paul (ENR Jan. 29, 1959, p. 77).

New York Building Code Still Alive—But Barely

New York State still has a state building code, though its existence is guaranteed for only another year and in precarious form at that.

At the close of this year's session of the legislature last week, the lawmakers passed a compromise bill that extends the life of the State Building Code Commission but subordinate to the State Division of Housing (ENR Mar. 17, p, 116).

The legislation is a stopgap measure similar to a short-term bill passed last year. That bill continued the commission within the Housing Division but without appreciable funds of its own.

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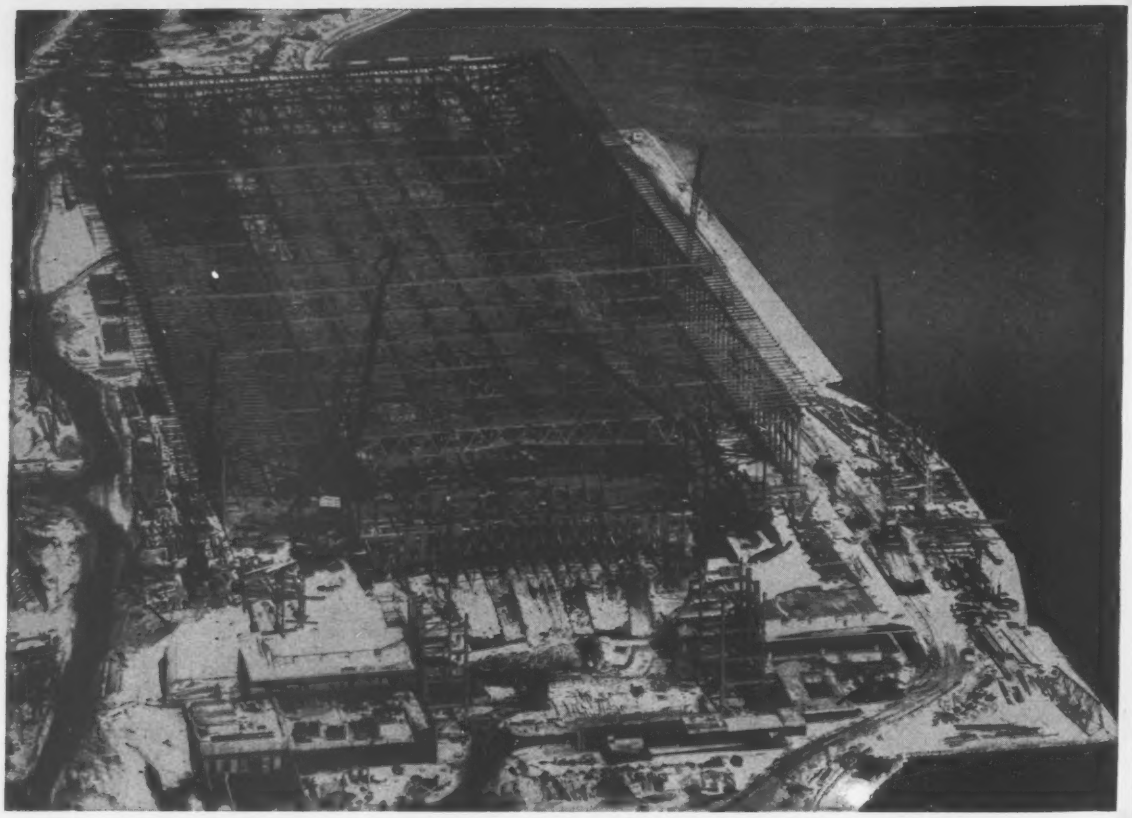

Chicago Exhibit Hall Topped Out

Steel for Chicago's $34-million Exposition Center was topped out late last month when workmen hoisted the last of 7,000 tons of framework into place 120 ft above ground level.

The roof of the 1,050 x 340-ft building is carried on 18 cantilever trusses spaced 60 ft apart the length of the structure. Each truss has a 210-ft central span and 65-ft cantilever arms (ENR Dec. 18, 1958, p. 26).

Erection of the steel, which started last December was by two crawler cranes and two travelers. The crawlers have 120-ft booms with 30-ft jibs and maximum lifting capacity of 125 tons. The travelers are 60-ton tower cranes with 105-ft booms and 20-ft jibs, mounted on 35-ft-high triangular towers.

Steel erection was performed by the American Bridge Division of U. S. Steel Corp. under a $2.3-million contract. Most of the 7,000 tons of steel was rolled at U. S. Steel's South Chicago Works, and fabricated at the Gary (Ind.) plant of American Bridge. Some of the steel was fabricated in Memphis, Tenn., and barged up the Mississippi River and the Illinois Waterway, to the site.

When the lakefront Exposition Center is completed in mid-November it will offer the most modern of exposition facilities.

Located only 2½ miles from the center of Chicago's Loop area, the Exposition building will have 310,000 sq ft of usable exhibition space. Movable walls will permit two or three conventions or expositions to be held simultaneously. The larger of two auditoriums will seat 5,000 people.

Kitchen facilities will be provided to serve a banquet for 25,000. There will be a full-service dining room seating 650 and a self-service restaurant that can accommodate 1,200 people per hour.

There will be 17 meeting rooms ranging in size to accommodate from 25 to 2,000 persons. Complete facilities will be installed for radio and television productions.

All facilities for expositions and conventions will be contained in the 1,050 x 340-ft Exposition Hall which will be completely air conditioned. A three-lane tunnel extending through the entire length of the building will provide rapid loading and unloading service for bus, taxi, or private automobiles. There will also be 13 truck entrances to serve the exposition area. Hydraulically operated ramps will permit placing the beds of the trucks at street level, if desired.

The building will be enclosed with sculptured panels of precast concrete, and with glass enclosure along the east side to give a panoramic view of Lake Michigan.

Clear height above exposition floor is 40 ft at the center of the roof trusses and 30 ft at the supporting columns, which are spaced 210 x 60 ft. A secondary truss system spanning 60 ft between the trusses carries steel joints and purlins and a poured gypsum roof. The cast-in-place reinforced concrete exposition floor is designed for a live load of 400 lb per sq ft. It is a two-way joist and slab floor carried on cast-in-place concrete columns supported on heavy steel piles driven to bedrock.

Robert J. Cantrell is project manager for Alfred Shaw, chief architect on the project. R. G. Bledsoe is construction manager for the owners, the Metropolitan Fair and Exposition Authority. Gust K. Newberg Construction Co. is the general contractor, with a $12.3-million contract.

The $34-million project is mainly financed with a $25-million bond.

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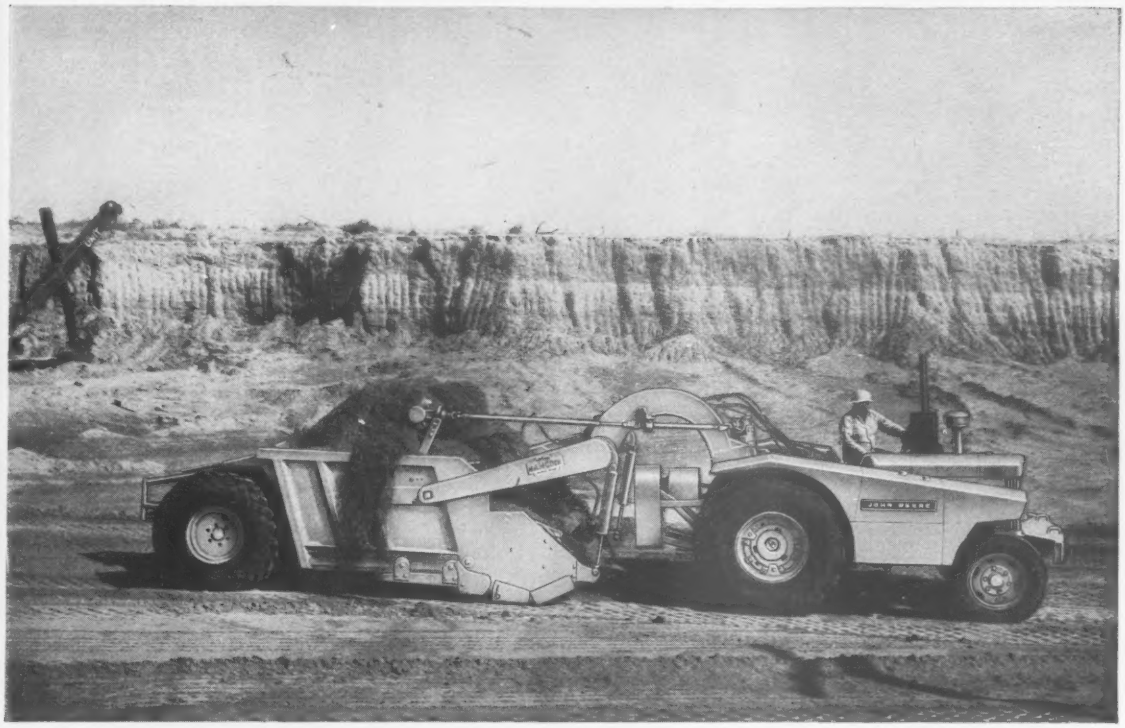

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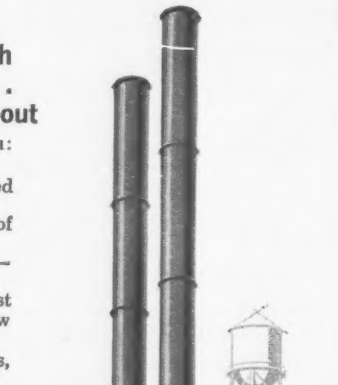

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Plowshare Prospects

Peaceful A-blasts depend on outcome at Geneva

Two imponderables will play a big role in determining whether anything comes of current U. S. preparations to explore peaceful applications of nuclear blasts.

One important factor will be the progress of negotiations in Geneva for a treaty banning nuclear tests. The other will be a pending Administration decision on what provisions for peaceful testing it should insist be in a treaty, if one is signed.

Chances of agreement on a test ban now look better than ever. Prime Minister Macmillan and President Eisenhower last week accepted in principle the Soviet demand for a moratorium on currently undetectable underground explosions, pending perfection of detection methods.

The $1-million job of digging a shaft 1,200 ft deep with an 1,100 ft tunnel leading off from the bottom will get under way immediately in the salt beds about 25 miles southeast of Carlsbad, N. M. Invitations to bid on the construction phase of the project are being issued by the Atomic Energy Commission's Albuquerque operations office.

A 10-kiloton (10,000 tons TNT equivalent) device will be detonated in the tunnel upon its completion in early 1961, if authorized by the President.

On generation of power, the fundamental question is whether underground spaces will hold high heat for years after an explosion.

Though the U.S., U.K. and U.S.S.R. have agreed in principle at the Geneva negotiations to the use of nuclear explosions for peaceful purposes, AEC's announcement of site construction plans for the Carlsbad shot brought prompt objections from the Soviet side.

Semyon K. Tsarapkin, Soviet delegate at the Geneva test ban talks, said Russia was against nuclear explosions of any kind. While acknowledging the agreement, he noted that specific procedures on buried explosions had not yet been formulated.

Last fall during his U.S. visit, Soviet atomic chief Vasily S. Emelyanov rejected projects such as Plowshare on grounds they might be a means to get around a ban on weapons testing. "As long as there are nuclear armaments there should be no explosions in which weapon uses can be concealed," Emelyanov said at that time. "If there are real advantages," such as extraction of oil from shale, he said further, "I think the entire question should be put off until the weapons danger doesn't exist."

95 lb. concrete saves steel in bridge decks

Use of lightweight aggregate produced a 95-lb. per cu. ft. concrete for the roadways of two high-level bridges over the Missouri River in South Dakota. This saved approximately 3 million lbs. of floor dead load in one bridge and 3⅓ million lbs. in the other, permitting a substantial reduction in the weight and cost of structural steel.

This was one of the construction economies which, together, saved taxpayers $2 million on these look-alike bridges, the two longest spans between the Mississippi and the Pacific. Other factors in this big saving were the maximum reuse of concrete forms and duplicate fabrication and erection of superstructure trusses and girders for both bridges. Two sizes of concrete forms were used. The smaller forms were used 22 times, relined 5 times; the larger forms were used 13 times, relined 3 times.

Trouble developed when concrete for the substructure of the first bridge was plant-mixed and hauled to the site in 2-yd. buckets. Hot weather and rough roads caused premature setting, even with retarder added. This was eliminated by pouring the superstructure of the first bridge, and all concrete in the second bridge, with truck mixers of certified design, capacity, mixing speed and water control accuracy.

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CONSTRUCTION OF CAUSEWAYS and fill-islands eliminated need for cofferdams for those piers which are in the stream. A stiffleg derrick, mounted on barge when over water and on track for land operations, lifted the heaviest and highest bridge sections, saving expensive falsework. 200′ boom carried 60′ jib.

JOB-BUILT RIG, operating on railroad tracks, solved the problem of long hauls (one bridge is 5,060′, the other 4,585′). The 95 lb. concrete for the 5¼″ thick decks was produced by using 1,210 lbs. of ⅜″ aggregate and only 405 lbs. of ¾″ aggregate in each cu. yd. of mix.

SAME SUBSTRUCTURE FORMS were used on both bridges. Cranes, as well as the derrick, placed concrete for the tall piers.

Design by Bridge Division, South Dakota Dept. of Highways. Substructure contractor, Massman Construction Co., Kansas City, Mo. Superstructure contractor, J. F. Beasley Construction Co., Chicago. Photos by EN-R.

Damsite Access (the Hard Way)

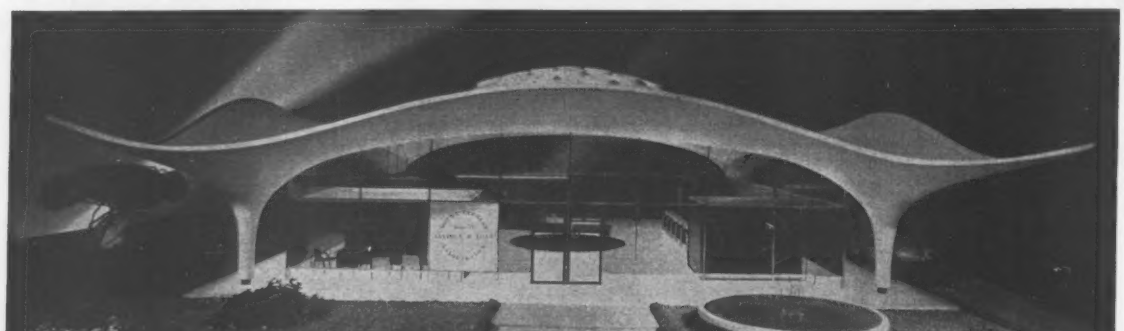
Even the open stretches of the access road to the site of Iran's Dez Dam are quasi-tunnels. The route snakes tortuously to the bottom of a 1,400-ft-deep gorge via numerous tunnels and a series of switchbacks, two of which are also underground.

The World Bank is lending Iran $42 million for the $59-million project, located on the Dez River in the Province of Khuzestan.

The dam will be a thin arch, 620 ft high. Designer is Electro-consult, Milan, under the guidance of Carlo Semeza. Initial power output is to be 65,000 kw with an ultimate capacity of 520,000 kw. During dry years the impounded waters behind the Dez Dam are expected to irrigate 425,000 acres.

Dez Dam is the first of a series of multipurpose dams under study for the five major rivers in the province (ENR Sept. 25, 1958, p. 56).

Morrison-Knudsen International, San Francisco, is building the access road under a $4-million contract awarded in 1958 (ENR May 1, 1958, p. 57).



For a Bank: Dramatic Thin-Shell Roof

A curving thin-shell roof and tapered pillars will form a dramatic covering for the Mount Clemens Savings & Loan Association building, Mt. Clemens, Mich.

The concrete shell will be shaped with plywood forms mounted on a wood and steel scaffold frame. It will have a maximum thickness of 11 in. and a minimum of 5 in. Beneath the roof is the glass-enclosed office.

The building will be 23 ft 6 in. high. Column spacing is 67 ft in both directions. The building is a 60-ft square.

A pedestrian bridge across a sunken terrace will lead to a parking lot.

The structure, to be started this spring, will cost about $320,000. Meathe, Kessler and Associates, Inc., Grosse Pointe Park, Mich., is the architect. Paul Weidlinger, New York City, is the structural engineer for the shell. R. H. McClurg Associates, Detroit, is the structural engineer for the foundation and floor slabs. Pulte Strang Co., Ferndale, Mich., is the general contractor.

Precast Bearing Walls for Center

Precast concrete bearing walls rising from flared exterior columns 2½ stories high will support the concrete floor framing of a $5.5-million medical center in New Haven, Conn. Preliminary design calls for flat-plate floor construction.

The 10-story main building is a twin tower. The two wings are joined by a narrow central section housing elevators and building utilities. Six channel-shaped concrete columns in this central section form vertical chases for pipes and ducts.

The center will contain physicians' offices, an out-patient operating unit, medical laboratories, surgical equipment store, medical insurance offices and various public facilities. There will also be an underground garage.

The New Haven Redevelopment Agency has approved the proposal for redeveloping the three-acre tract. It has received preliminary federal approval as a Title I project. Construction is scheduled to begin sometime this spring.

Caproni Associates of New Haven is architect; Paul Weidlinger of New York City is structural engineer. New Haven developer Edwin V. Larsen is the principal sponsor.

Cowtown Opens Expressway

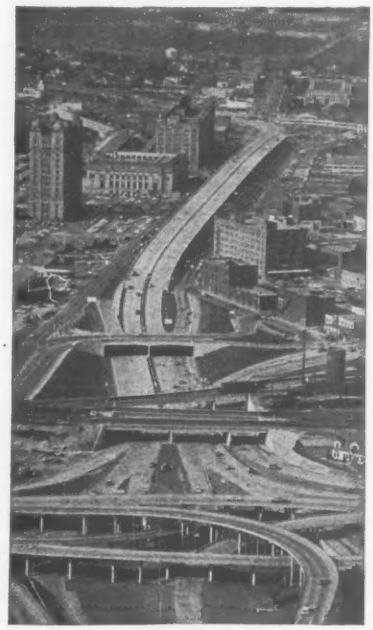
The last section of Fort Worth's east-west freeway was officially opened to traffic last month.

Completion of this section of Interstate Highway 20 provides a continuous expressway from the western edge of Fort Worth, six miles west of the business district, into downtown Dallas by use of the Dallas-Fort Worth Turnpike.

The new elevated structure is 2,600 ft long. Total length, with approaches, is 1.1 miles. It carries four lanes of traffic, two in each direction, separated by an 8-ft-wide emergency parking shoulder on each side separated from the through lanes by a 4-in.-high mountable curb.

The section of the freeway between the "mixmaster" interchange and the east end of the elevated structure consists of four 12-ft-wide lanes in each direction. The section west of the elevated structure consists of three lanes in each direction.

The bridge was built under seven contracts at a total cost of $3,910,000. Right-of-way costs totaled $3.2 million.



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Brooklyn's Civic Center Garage is first underground municipal garage in New York area.

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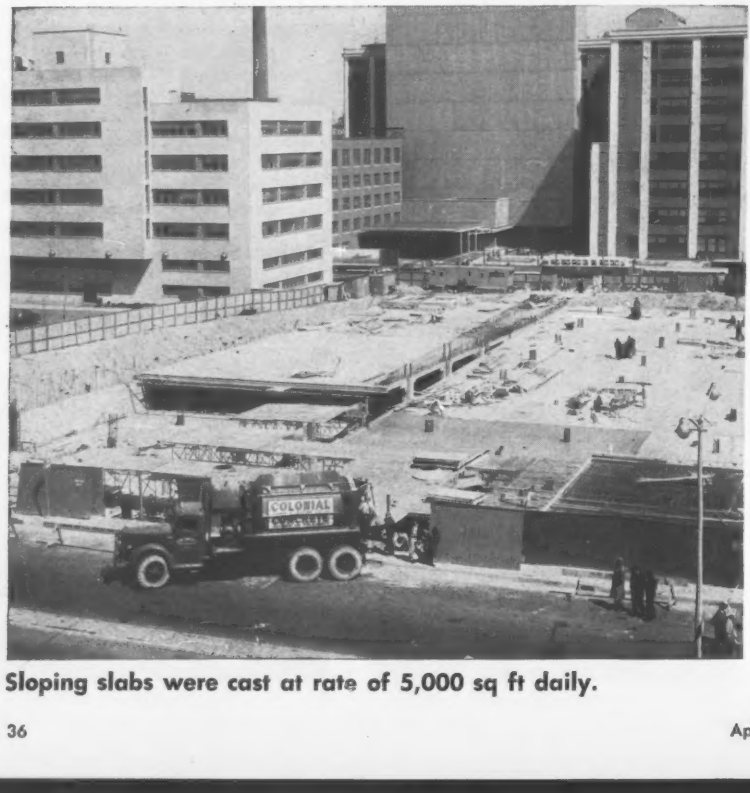


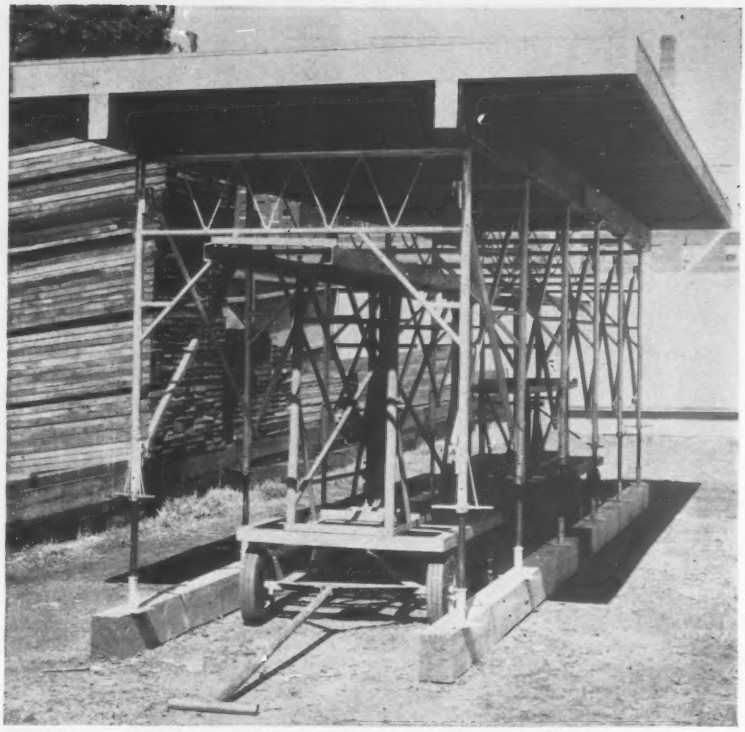
Sloping slabs were cast at rate of 5,000 sq ft daily.

An ingenious formwork system using rolling scaffolds speeded construction of Brooklyn's Civic Center Garage—a sloped-floor, three-level, underground structure featuring driver-parking for 700 automobiles, automatic traffic and revenue control, and electrically-controlled carbon monoxide exhaust.

The recently opened garage is the first in New York City's 10-year, $100-million off-street parking construction program and the first underground municipal garage in the metropolitan area. It is also part of the redevelopment of downtown Brooklyn. On adjacent plots, the new State Supreme Court Building and several modern municipal buildings border the public park above the garage.

The garage is basically a 290x308-ft area with 64-ft-wide sloped-floor sections along the north and south walls. Except for 48-ft-wide strips along the east and west walls, the central main floor area and its adjoining 64-ft floor sections slope in opposite directions at a 2.3% grade.

The concreting schedule called for daily casting of 5,000 sq ft of the garage's flat-slab floors and roof. Thirty-six formwork units, 10 x 14 ft in plan, were required for each day's pour. Six sets,



Dolly-mounted scaffolds stripped and relocated slab forms.

tion of Automated Garage

or a total of 216 formwork units, enabled the contractor to maintain the schedule. Slab pours totaled 250 to 350 cu yd daily.

Each formwork unit consisted of $\frac{5}{8}$-in. plywood on 2 x 6-in. joists spaced at 12 in. c-c and supported by 4 x 8-in. stringers at 5 ft c-c. Steel pipe scaffold frames carried these stringers. Bases of the screwjack pipe posts sat on continuous 6 x 8-in. sills at the floor below.

Laborers used rubber-tired dollies for stripping and transporting formwork units. Rolled in between the floor sills, a dolly picked up the scaffold load on a steel framework raised by a hydraulic jack mounted on the dolly. Workmen then raised the screw legs of the pipe scaffold off the floor sills. After removing the sills, they lowered the entire form assembly 6 in. from the concrete soffit by releasing the jacking pressure.

Crews then rolled the dolly to a new location and reversed the stripping process to reset the formwork. The hydraulic jack raised the formwork, workmen replaced the sills, tightened the screw legs of the pipe scaffold, released the jack and removed the dolly.

Slab-casting began in January, 1959, and continued through the winter until completion in May, 1959. During the cold-weather concreting, the contractor maintained salamander heat until the trowelled surface hardened. Laborers then placed 2-in.-thick insulation blankets on the surface, turning off the heat at the same time. Temperatures in the 3,500- psi mix remained above 50F until after stripping.

The engineers permitted stripping three days after casting, as long as the job-cured test cylinders had attained 50% of the 3,500-psi strength required at 28 days. Laborers reshored the slab with steel pipe screwjacks placed close to the quarter points of the slab spans immediately after stripping.

Flat slab floor framing is 14½ in. thick at the garage roof and 10 in. thick at the two sub levels. Roof design loads include 100 psf live load and 500 psf for earth fill of the park above. Floors are designed for 75-psf live load. Unlike the roof slab, floor slabs have no drop panels. The basement floor is 6-in. slab-on-ground.

Columns are typically 26-in.-dia sections, reinforced with spirals. All have capitals, 5 ft 6 in. in diameter.

Exterior walls are 12-in.-thick reinforced concrete, spanning vertically between slabs to retain lateral earth pressure.

Foundations are conventional spread footings bearing on sand and gravel designed for four tons psf bearing pressure. The contractor used opencut on three sides of the excavation. To avoid undermining subsurface utilities just outside the fourth side, he drove vertical steel H-section soldier beams, bracing them with two rows of walers and two levels of steel rakers butted against interior column footings. Timber lagging retained earth between the soldier beams.

The automatic traffic and revenue control system performs these operations:

- Issues tickets to entering drivers.
- Directs drivers to parking spaces.
- Processes tickets at exit
- Maintains continuous count and records occupancy and revenue data.

Major components of the system include a Remote Recorder, differential counters, ticket issuing machines and parking-toll computers, and tamper-proof treadles that distinguish between forward and reverse car motion.

The Remote Recorder is the central record-keeping device of the system. It registers entrance and exit car counts in all three zones of the garage, keeping a tally of over-all and zone occupancy. It also computes and totals parking revenue.

The extensive automation enables 10 employees on three eight-hour shifts to maintain round-the-clock operations.

Directional signs actuated by the differential counters limit the driver's search to the zone in which a vacancy occurs. The garage's three parking zones are divided by the three sub levels.

The buildings above grade at the four corners of the site house exhaust plenums and fans and exit stairwells. They have reinforced concrete roof framing and walls, faced in limestone. The walls of the control center and the exposed portions of the garage are faced in limestone and granite.

The carbon monoxide exhaust system, like the traffic and revenue control system, is electrically-controlled. There are ten carbon monoxide sampling points. Two analyzer systems, each serving five sampling stations at the north and south walls, control dampers in the masonry ducts around the periphery of the building. The analyzer servomechanisms are preset to limit the carbon monoxide concentration to 175 ppm and adjust dampers to keep it below this level.

The ventilation system is designed for a minimum of four air changes and a maximum of eight air changes per hour. Centrifugal fans, powered by 40 hp electrical motors draw contaminated air

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The masonry-enclosed exhaust ducts measure 28 in. from inside of masonry to inside face of the exterior walls. They extend the full ceiling height of 8 ft.

Two intake plenums at the west side of the garage, covered by sidewalk gratings 19 x 30 ft in plan, admit outside air at the rear.

Intake openings at each level are staggered so that pans catch dirt and rain falling through the grating. At the garage front, fresh air enters through roll-up steel grille doors.

The New York City Traffic Department, under Commissioner T. T. Wiley, will operate the self-liquidating facility with city personnel. The Department may later lease it on a management contract to a private operator.

Total construction cost, including general contract, plumbing, heating and ventilating, and electrical work, is $2.6 million. Cost per car of $3,700 compares favorably with similar underground garages.

Architect-engineer was James R. Fraser, consulting engineer of New York City. Milton Dubin was Fraser's project engineer. Mr. Dubin is now a partner in the New York City A-E firm of Rouse, Dubin and Ventura.

Walter Eller was field superintendent for HRH Construction Corp. of New York City, the general contractor. The Department of Public Works under Commissioner Frederick H. Zurmuhlen, supervised the work for New York City.

Ramp Consulting Services, Inc., New York City, made a feasibility study of the project for the Department of Traffic.

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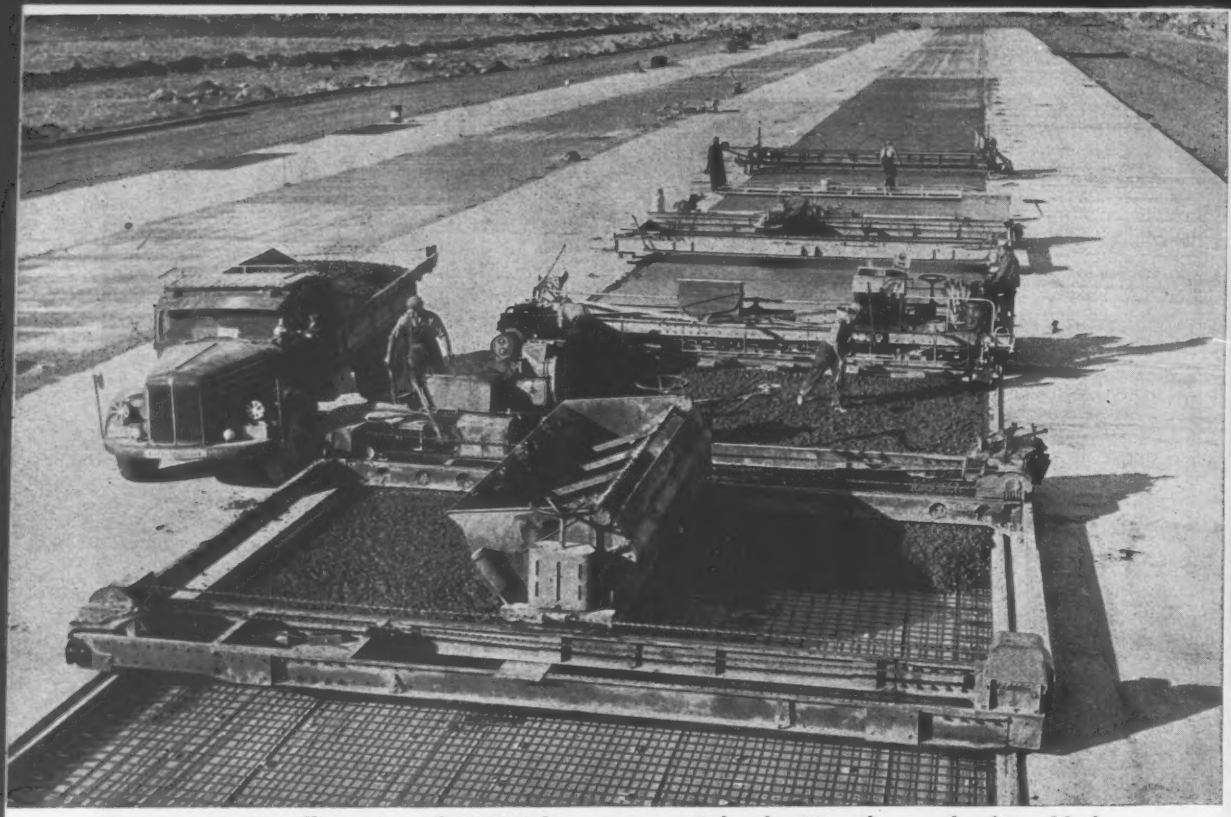


Paving train installs section of 10,827-ft runway at Arlanda, 25 miles north of Stockholm.

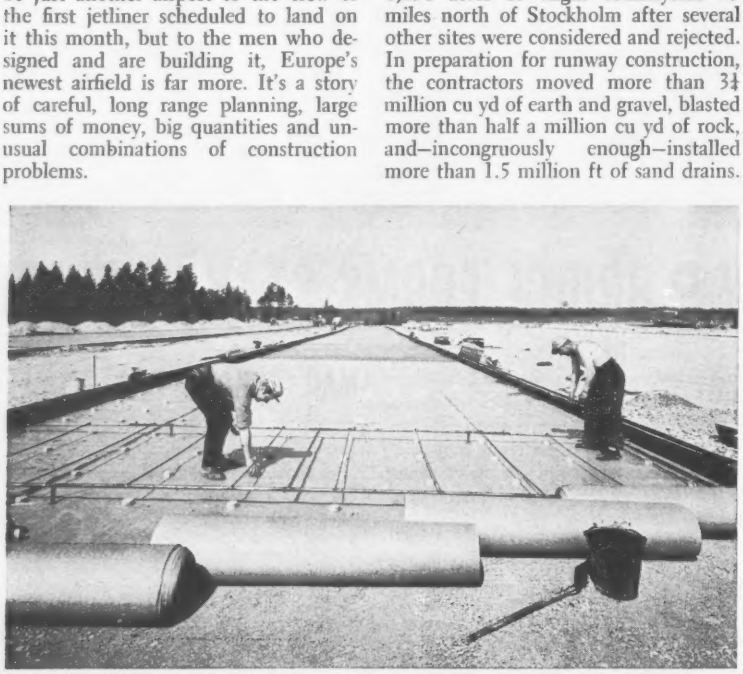
Swedes Drill and Blast a Je

Sweden's Arlanda International may be just another airport to the crew of the first jetliner scheduled to land on it this month, but to the men who designed and are building it, Europe's newest airfield is far more. It's a story of careful, long range planning, large sums of money, big quantities and unusual combinations of construction problems.

Arlanda was carved and blasted from 6,250 acres of virgin countryside 25 miles north of Stockholm after several other sites were considered and rejected. In preparation for runway construction, the contractors moved more than 3¼ million cu yd of earth and gravel, blasted more than half a million cu yd of rock, and—incongruously enough—installed more than 1.5 million ft of sand drains.

Considerations for public safety and comfort played a large role in determining the airport's distance from Stockholm. As an extension of this policy, new zoning laws make it impossible to build a house within 3.5 miles of any of the airport boundaries.

The airport is designed for jets. Its main runway is 10,827 ft long, 230 ft wide, and comprises a central 150-



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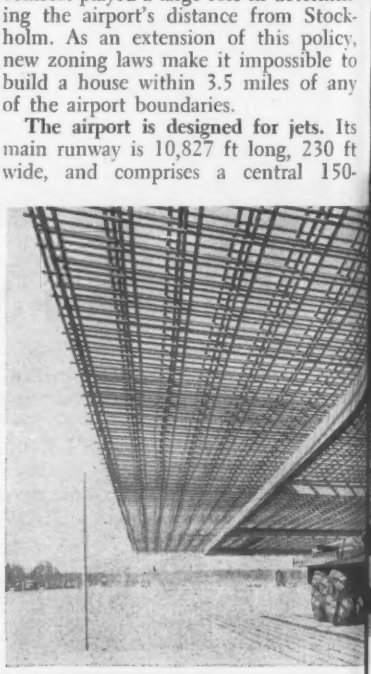
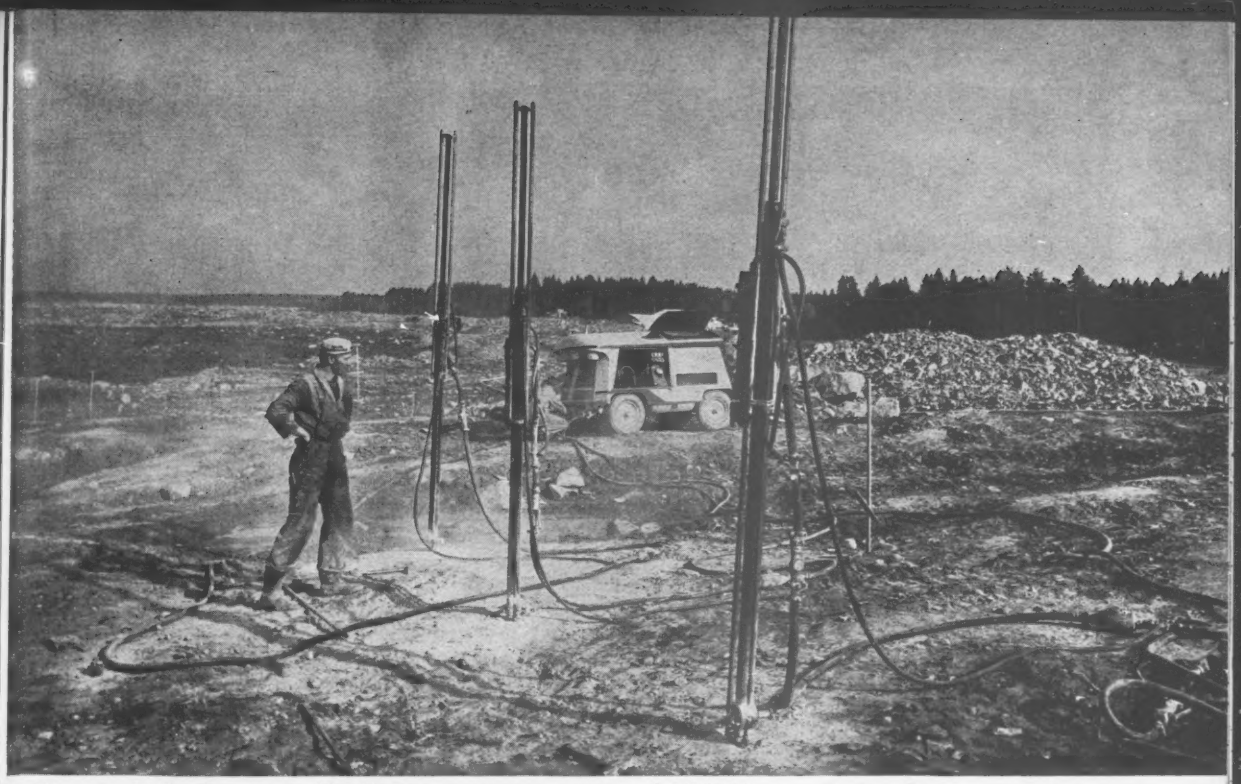


. . . Job-fabricated mesh, shown



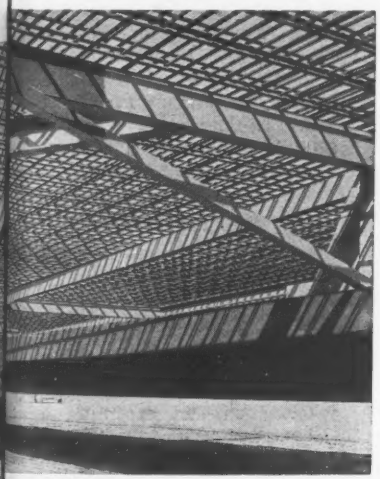
Drilling and blasting were big items; contractor removed 590,000 cu yd of rock.

Airport Out of Rocky Terrain

ft-wide section of 9-in. reinforced concrete and two 44-ft-wide flanking strips of asphalt. All taxiways are 132 ft wide. They consist of an 82-ft central section of concrete and two 25-ft-wide flanking strips of asphalt. Hangar aprons, 830 x 590 ft and 935 x 590, are of concrete.

All concrete pavement can sustain aircraft of up to 220 tons if they have conventional four-wheel trucks in the landing gear. Should jetliners go to eight-wheel trucks, as has been suggested by some aircraft designers, then planes of up to 400 tons could be accommodated. (For comparison, a fully loaded DC-8, heaviest of today's jets, weighs just over 140 tons.)

Permanent terminal buildings and hangars will not be completed until 1963. By then, $45 million will have been invested in the airport and another $14 million spent for a four-lane road to Stockholm. However, the Swedish Board of Civil Aviation, owner of Arlanda, has completed a workshop, a central heating plant, an 81-ft-high control tower of cast-in-place concrete and a 176,000-gal water tower. Also completed are the surveillance and precision radar systems, the instrument land-



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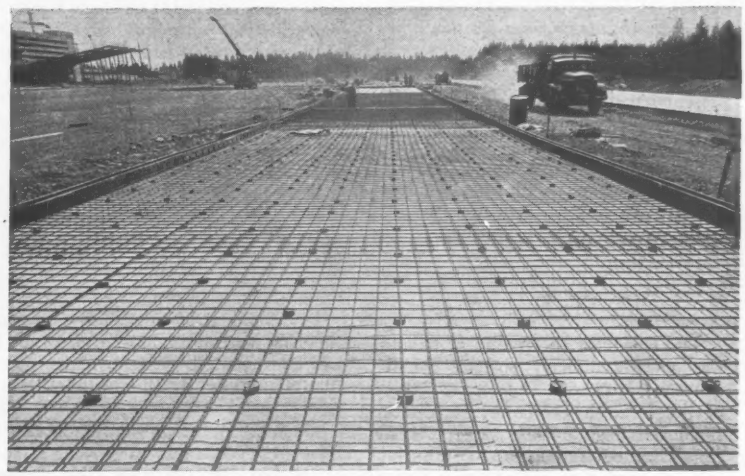
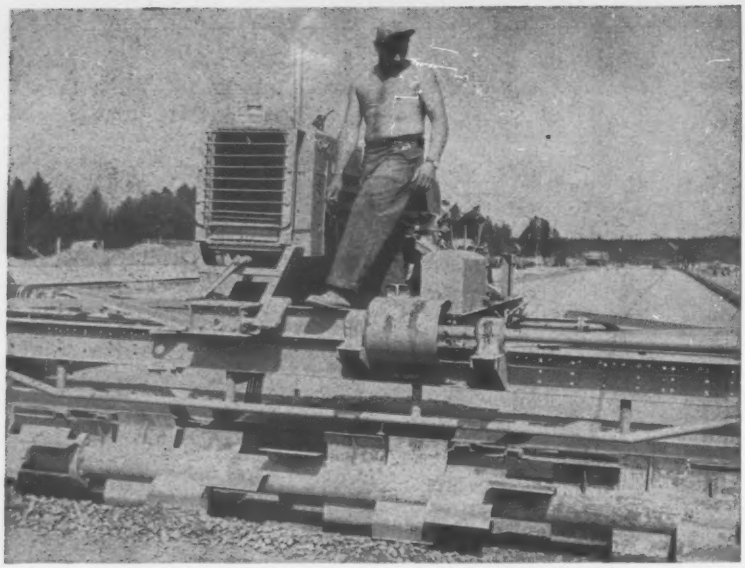


Mesh was made in 41-ft lengths and in widths to 27 ft.



BASE FINISHER rides form rails. Paddle wheels plane the surface, horizontal beam at rear compacts it. Similar rig was used for spreading concrete.

ing system and runway lighting devices.

The surveillance radar will track any plane up to 40,000 ft and within a radius of 120 miles. The lighting system has a transformer rating of 8,000 kw. Double power lines, totaling about 120 miles of cable, protect against lighting failures. Centerline and sideline lighting wells are at 98-ft intervals.

The Scandanavian Airways System has already spent $5 million to complete a section of its $8-million hangar. This section consists of a central multistory structure with cast-in-place walls and lightweight precast concrete floors and roof. On either side of the structure is a cantilever roof supported by 2.75-in.-dia cables. Sliding doors, each 78 ft wide, 52 ft high and weighing 25 tons, enclose the work area of the hangar.

Among the safety features included are two foam sprinkler systems—one in the ceiling, the other on the floor. The present hangar will house four DC-8's. By 1963 this will be expanded to twice that size.

Construction in northern latitudes is expected to meet with certain natural obstacles, particularly in winter. Arlanda is no exception. The weather is not severe, but snow is often deep; the ground can be frozen from late Septem to May, and in mid-winter there are only six hours of light per day.

The nature of the terrain at Arlanda was another difficult obstacle for the runway contractor. The area is typical of the Swedish Lowlands. It contains small but deep pockets of soft, sticky clay, large outcroppings and subsurface hills of hard rock and moraine packed with truck-size boulders.

Tractors and scrapers were used to a small extent, but most of the excavation had to be done with shovels, draglines, clamshells and backhoes. The equipment inventory tells the story: at the peak of operation the contractor had on the job 22 excavators with 2½- and 3-cu yd buckets; 18 tractors with and without scrapers; 21-off-highway trucks of 22-ton capacity; nine other off-the-road trucks; and 50 highway trucks of 8-cu-yd capacities.

The rock outcroppings were so contoured that most of the drilling had to be done manually with jackhammers and airleg machines. Where holes could be drilled 15 ft or deeper, the contractor used machines of the wagon drill type—but they were mounted on fixed legs (see picture). About 65 such units were required. One man handled two drills and with them averaged better than 600 ft of hole per shift. Record for the job was 683 ft for one shift. In the relatively few cases where large hole drilling was possible, tractor-mounted drills with 3-in.-dia bits cut the rock to depths of 40 ft.

In all, 590,000 cu yd of rock was blasted and removed. Some of this rock was used as fill in areas where nearly 200,000 cu yd of clay was dug out. The remainder was dumped in low land at the end of the runway.

In several areas outside the runway the clay was not removed. Instead, it was consolidated by sand drains. More than 46,000 drains were installed. They were spaced 45 in. on centers, and while most of them were about 26 ft deep, many went to 40 ft.

Despite the obstacles, the runway and taxiway work is months ahead of schedule. And while there is still a considerable amount of off-runway grading to be done, the paving is nearly completed.

Handling the $7-million grading and paving contract is Skanska Cementgjuteriet (Scanian Cement Foundry) of Stockholm.

Here's how they did the paving:

About two million cu yd of gravel went into subbase material and asphalt and concrete aggregate. This was moved in 8-cu yd trucks from a pit at one end of the runway to a processing plant that included both jaw and gyratory crushers. Two fully automatic concrete batching plants and one asphalt plant mixed the materials. A laboratory was set up next to the batch plants to maintain continuous quality control.

The subgrade was planed and tamped by a single machine that rides on the form rails. At the front, this machine has a revolving paddle wheel that levels the ground; at the rear it has a horizontal beam tamper.

Because the specifications called for the reinforcing to be placed almost at the bottom of the slabs, it was possible to cast the concrete in a single pass. To support the mesh, circular concrete blocks, 1⅛ in. high, were set with a template on the layer of waterproof paper that covers the sub-base.

The mesh was job fabricated by a process that involved factory-like precision methods. The rods, cut to the proper length, were set in a jig. A wheel mounted shed, with six welding heads suspended from its roof, was then rolled back and forth over the jig to complete the mesh, which was turned out in 41-ft lengths of 16-, 23-, and 27-ft widths. These mats were carried to the forms on a special trailer (see picture) and set in place by a crane.

Concrete was delivered to the paving train in 3.8-cu yd side dump trucks. The spreader carried a 4-cu yd trough that moved transversally across the paving area. The second unit in the train was a triple threat rig mounting a paddle-wheel screed, a horizontal vibrating unit, and a transverse finisher. A longitudinal finisher followed. Bringing up the rear was a machine with a brush for transverse roughing of the pavement and an automatic sealer sprayer.

(Normally the sprayer would have been used immediately after the brush. In last summer's extremely dry weather, however, cracks developed in the fresh concrete, particularly when it was cast against cured concrete. To prevent this, the concrete was given a fine water spray for several hours before the sealer was applied.)

Contraction and expansion joints, of about ⅜ in. and ¾ in. respectively, were later sawed along joints made by fiberboards inserted in the fresh concrete from the back of the finishing machine.

ANNOUNCEMENT

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Standards for concrete plant components have been established by the Concrete Plant Manufacturers Bureau and approved by the Board of Directors of the National Ready Mixed Concrete Association. New equipment complying with these standards is now certified by Rating Plate.

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Copies of the "Concrete Plant Standards" are now available on request. Those interested in quality standards, particularly all users of aggregate and cement handling equipment, are invited to address their requests to the Concrete Plant Manufacturers Bureau, 1411 K Street N. W., Washington 5, D. C.

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Steep rock walls could make a good site for a concrete dam, but . . .

High Earth Dam Plugs Narrow

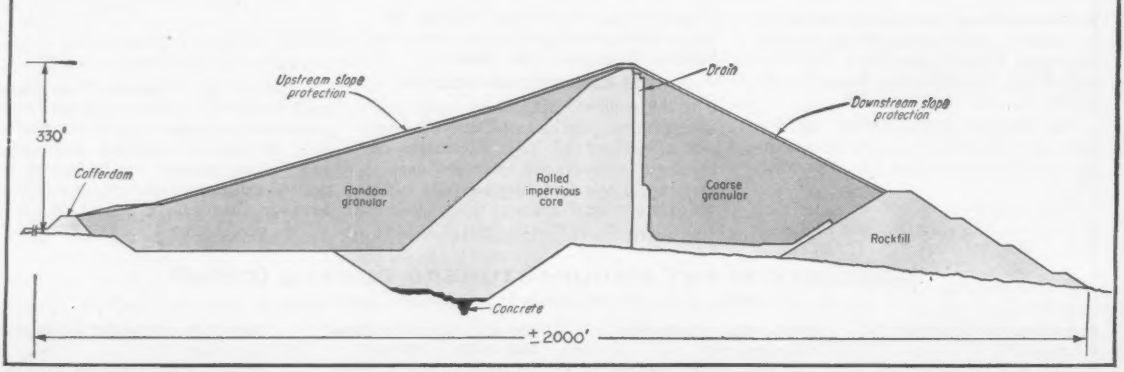
The payoff has started at Southern California Edison's Mammoth Pool hydroelectric project in the High Sierra. The generating units are now feeding power into the utility's network.

The startup marks virtual completion of a project that is notable on several counts.

The most remarkable feature of the dam is its type, considering the site. The structure is an earthfill dam in a steep-walled narrow canyon, where a concrete dam might be expected. Allied points of interest are the close control of earth placement and the high degree of instrumentation of the fill. Tunneling was also outstanding on the job, from the standpoint of both pace and methods.

The main permanent parts of the project are Mammoth Pool Dam and Reservoir, Mammoth Pool Powerhouse and an eight-mile power tunnel. A major temporary work was a 2,150-ft diversion tunnel.

The dam is 830 ft long at the crest and rises 330 ft from the stream bed. It is located in a canyon with rock walls sloping up as steeply as 75 degrees from horizontal. High ridges flanking the canyon on both sides appear ideal for operation of a high line for concrete placement, and the site looks



Simplified cross section shows salient features of the embankment.

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made to order for a concrete dam rather than a fill.

But analysis proved otherwise. The designers investigated multiple arch, thin arch, concrete gravity, rockfill with sloping core, rockfill with concrete face, and earthfill types. Earthfill won the nod by a margin of at least $1 million.

The steep canyon walls dictated special care in earth placement. For this reason all overhanging rock was removed by blasting and scaling and the fill placed adjacent to the abutments was kept plastic during the construction period with additional water to accommodate settlements without shearing.

The dam contains about 5 million cu yd of fill, classified for placement purposes in several categories. Tightest control was reserved for the impervious core, which comprises 1.6 million cu yd. Specifications required at least 20% of it to pass the No. 100 sieve. Moisture content of the zone was allowed to deviate no more than 1% from the optimum value as determined in the laboratory. This required constant checking, not only to verify compliance but also to remeasure the optimum moisture content, which ranged over a 10% to 15% spread because of soil variations within the impervious zone material.

Strata underlying the impervious core were filled in with a considerable quantity of "dental" concrete where irregularities would prevent earth compaction by rolling. From the bottom of the concrete-filled cutoff trench under the core, the dam rises about 470 ft.

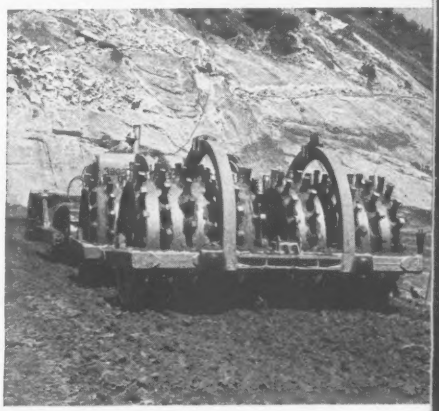
About 2.5 million cu yd of granular material in the main shell of the dam had to meet requirements almost equal to those for the core zone. In fact, the upstream shell and the lower half of the downstream shell are made up of materials slightly coarser than the core material.

Well over 80% of the total fill required for the dam came from a borrow area two miles away. The haul was downhill on a 6% grade. The remainder came from several sources. Riprap for upstream and downstream slope protection came from the spillway excavation. Coarse material for a drain was processed from tunnel muck. Filter material was dredged by means of a vacuum dredge from the river bed downstream from the dam.

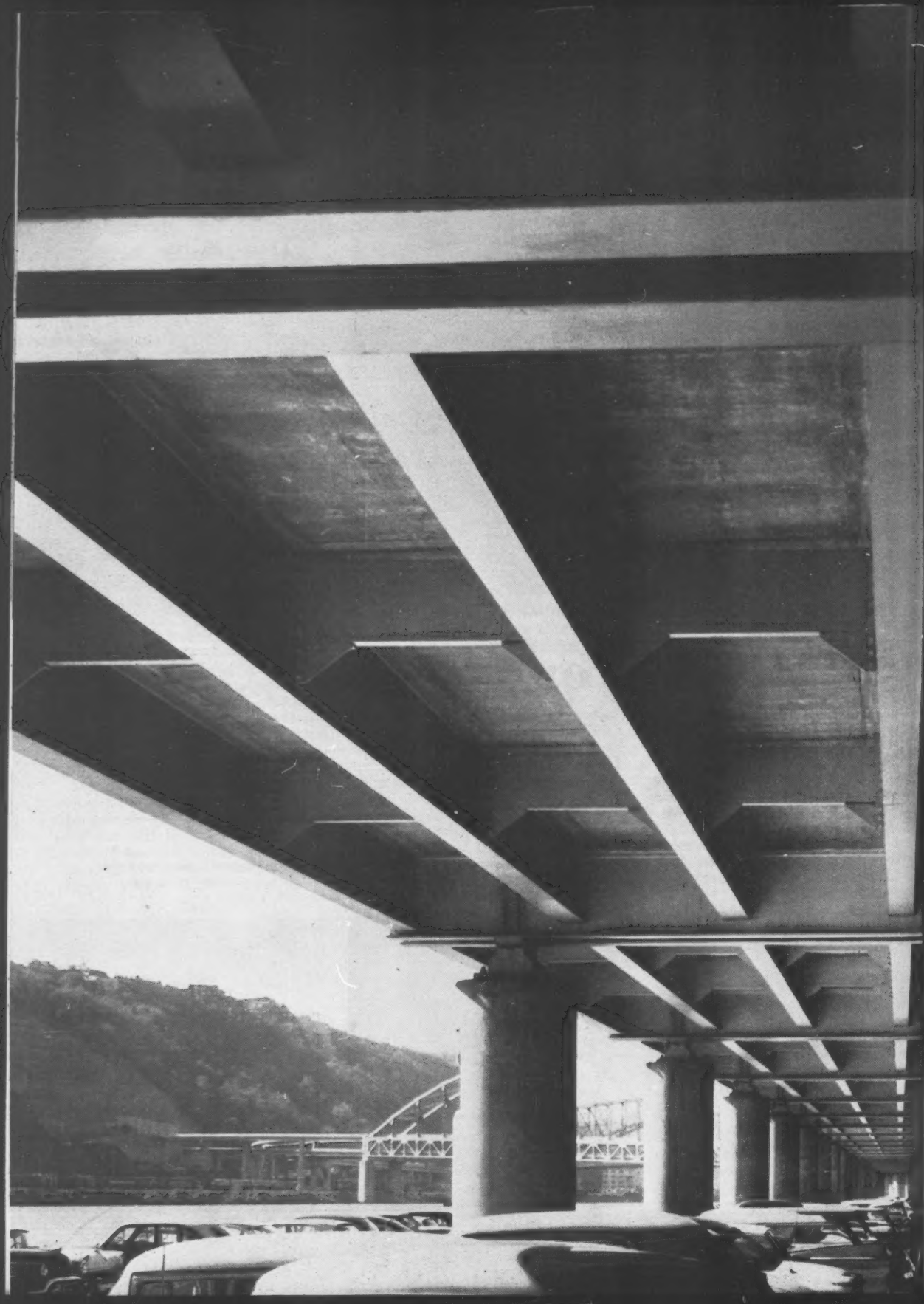
The top 10 ft of the borrow pit was prime material, suitable for the impervious core—mainly disintegrated granite. Most of it passed the No. 100 sieve. The next zone down was used as random fill.

Borrow was developed by scrapers with pushers. The material was watered at both the borrow pit and dam site to attain the desired moisture content. During summer operations, the contractor used about 2 million gal of

Multiple streams water the fill material at the borrow pit.



Rollers made about 10 passes.



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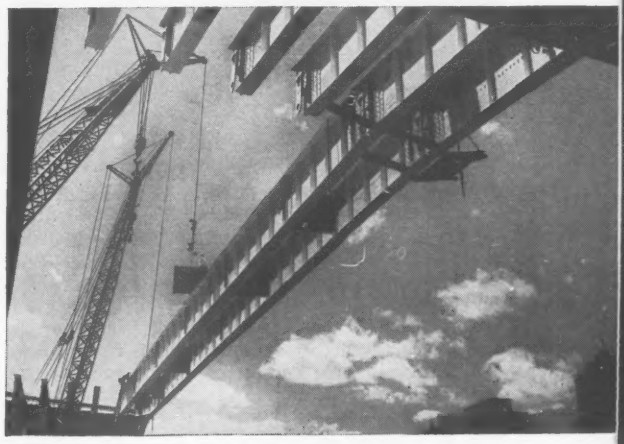
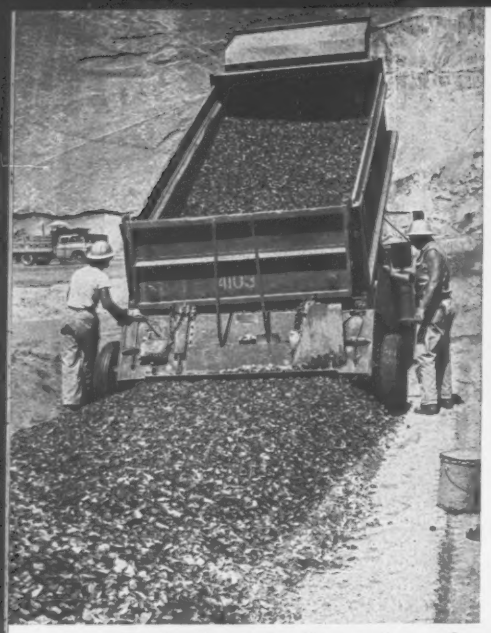
29% WEIGHT SAVING. This curved ramp off Grant Street has 7 spans of 65 feet and 1 span of 77 feet using 850 tons of USS MAN-TEN High-Strength Steel and 100 tons of A-7 steel. Simple rolled beams of high-strength steel were possible instead of built-up plate girders of A-7 steel. This is responsible for a large reduction in weight and cost. Again, due to deflection requirements, cross members were A-7 steel.



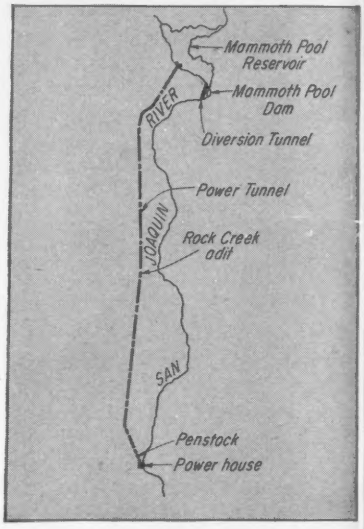
GREATER STRENGTH—MORE CLEARANCE. Westbound Parkway ramp near 10th Street, crossing B&O freight yards. A good application where MAN-TEN High-Strength Steel reduced the depth of the girders, providing greater clearance. This section has 12 spans: 9 simple span plate girders 130′ x 66″ deep and 3 anchor plate girder spans with cantilever arms 180′ to 199′ end to end x 66″ deep. 3,100 tons of MAN-TEN Steel were used in the girders and 560 tons of A-7 steel were used for expansion dams, diaphragms and shear locks. Weight savings estimated —about 26%.



Drain layer is dumped neatly.

Scraper and pusher develop material at borrow pit.

Vacuum dredge collects filter sand from stream bed.



Project is on the San Joaquin.

water a day and placed about 21,000 cu yd of compacted fill a day. Compaction factor, embankment: borrow pit, was about 70%.

Core material was compacted with double-tandem sheepsfoot rollers and shell materials were compacted with 50-ton rubber-tired rollers. It took about 10 passes on the average to attain the required density. Filter and drain materials were compacted with vibratory rollers.

There was no convenient supply of sufficiently permeable fill for the embankment on the downstream side of the impervious core, so a drain of coarse material was installed to intercept and carry off seepage and prevent its entry into the relatively impervious material of the downstream shell.

The drain comprises an 8-ft-thick vertical layer of ¼-1½-in. material extending from the top to the bottom of the embankment between the impervious core and the downstream fill, and a 10-ft-thick horizontal layer of ⅛-4 in. material underlying the downstream fill from the bottom of the vertical drain to the dam's rockfill toe. Water migrating through the impervious core drains downward when it reaches the vertical layer and then escapes to the toe of the dam through the horizontal layer.

Sand filters, 12 ft thick, make the transitions from the impervious core to the vertical layer and the downstream fill to the horizontal layer. There is also an unofficial transition zone next to the downstream side of the vertical drain. It comprises a selection of coarser material from the downstream fill.

Since the drain system isolates the downstream half of the dam, the downstream shell could be designed as a well-drained embankment rather than with special consideration for its function as part of a dam. As a result, the downstream face has the relatively steep slope of 2:1.

The dam is extensively instrumented. There are the usual settlement markers and piezometers plus tilt meters of a type not generally used in dams.

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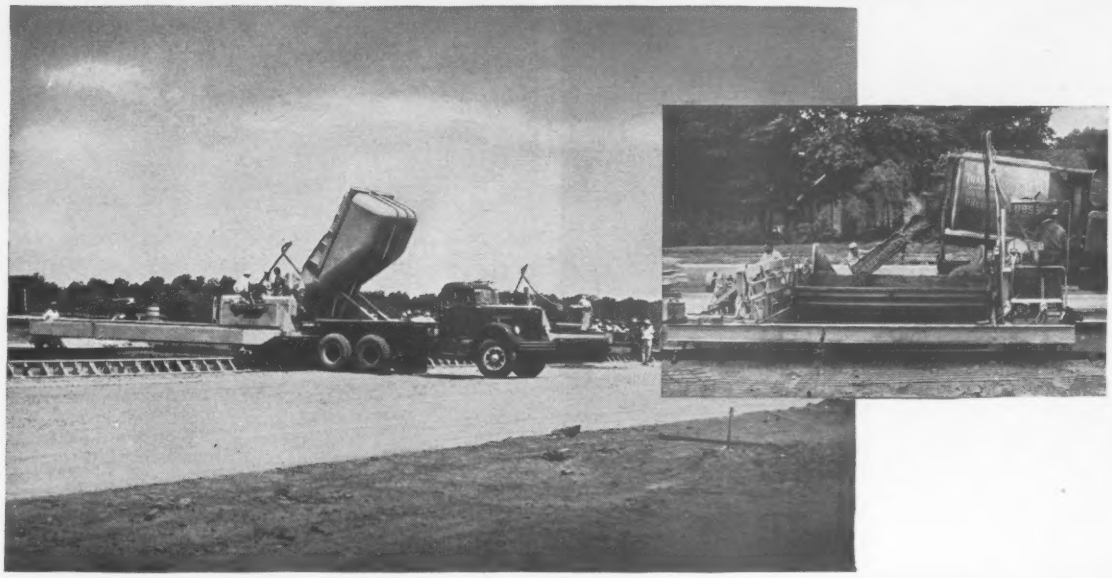

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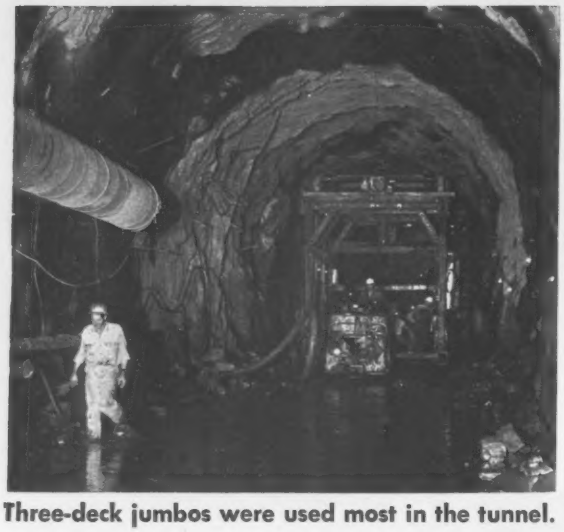
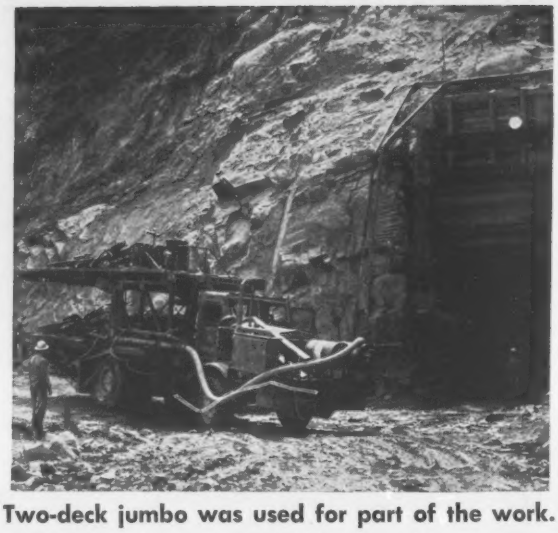




Three-deck jumbos were used most in the tunnel. Two-deck jumbo was used for part of the work.

Most fill-type dams are instrumented to show downstream and upstream movement only at the crest, but the Mammoth Pool Dam has tilt meters that indicate horizontal displacement at any level in the fill. They were designed by Stanley Wilson, a consulting engineer of Seattle.

The device consists of measuring and indicating apparatus and a plastic tilt tube set vertically in the embankment to whatever depth movements are to be measured.

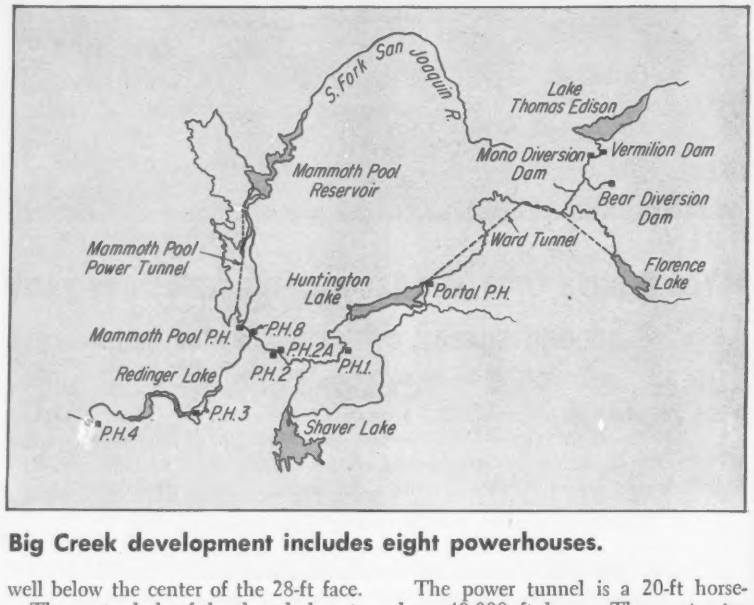
The tube is flexible enough to conform to earth movements as the fill settles. The measuring apparatus is lowered into the tube on two grooves 90 deg apart. From tilt-angle measurements sent to the surface electrically every foot, displacements can be figured.

The Mammoth Pool project has been marked by fast progress and unusual methods in both its tunnels.

First came the diversion tunnel, a 28-ft horseshoe, 2,150 ft long. It was holed through in May, 1958, on the 77th day of a 120-day contract. The crew that drove it had been working together since mid-1955. During that period they had driven 14 miles of tunnels on four other High Sierras jobs.

The tunnel was driven from a single heading at a consistently high rate of advance. The record day was 58 ft, the top week, 339 ft.

The diversion tunnel crews followed a trend relatively new in U. S. tunneling: They drilled big center holes with side relievers. Depending on rock hardness, they alternated between a pattern having three burn holes in a vertical row at the center and a similar arrangement with two holes. Center burns and relievers were concentrated within an area about 2 ft in diameter. The lowest holes were located about 7 ft from the floor, placing the 2-ft cluster well below the center of the 28-ft face.



Big Creek development includes eight powerhouses.

The center hole of the three-hole pattern was drilled 18 in. deeper than the 13-ft depth of the surrounding holes, and only the bottom 12 in. was loaded. The other two burn holes were not loaded. Surrounding relievers fired first and second in the shooting sequence, and the bottom of the center hole fired third. This cleaned out a center section about 2 ft square into which succeeding rings broke. In the two-hole pattern, neither burn hole was loaded.

About the time the diversion tunnel reached completion, a different contractor started work on the power tunnel. Here again, progress was spectacular. The contractor nearly set a world speed record in January, 1959, by driving one heading 390 ft in a six-day week for an average of 65 ft a day.

The power tunnel is a 20-ft horseshoe, 40,000 ft long. The contractor worked it from five headings using four jumbos, each mounting 11 drills. This crew used center burn holes and side relievers too. The reliever pattern was diamond shaped with a loaded center hole and unloaded corner holes. The center hole broke outward, and subsequent shots broke inward.

Another pattern used had five holes in a vertical row at the center. Alternate holes in the row were unloaded.

Power tunnel crews fired about five rounds per shift. Each round advanced the heading 10 or 11 ft, produced about 140 cu yd of solid rock or 185 cu yd of muck, required 650 lb of powder.

The power tunnel runs through granite and metamorphic rock of good quality. With very little scaling, the con-

tractor was able to get the walls unusually smooth. Only about 2% of the length is lined. Friction reduction alone could not justify the added expense of lining. The invert is lined, however, to prevent migration of tunnel fines through the turbines, to reduce friction and to facilitate access.

Where soft seams occurred, the rock was gouged out and replaced with pneumatically placed concrete. Only the concrete was used for seams no more than a few inches wide. Wire mesh was installed to hold the concrete in seams 2 or 3 ft wide.

The surge shaft is somewhat unusual in construction. Instead of widening at the top, it has two horizontal blind drifts several hundred feet long. These provide extra capacity for sudden water demands at the powerhouse. They play no part in pressure surges, however. One of the drifts is partly lined because of bad ground. The top 70 ft of the surge shaft itself is also lined.

Control works for the power tunnel are located about 700 ft from the intake end. The tunnel ends on a hillside above the powerhouse and a penstock drops down the hill to the turbines. Installed generating capacity at the powerhouse is 150,000 kva—two 75,000-kva units.

The Mammoth Pool project is the newest unit in Southern California Edison's Big Creek hydroelectric development, a tight cluster of dams, reservoirs, tunnels and powerhouses on the western slopes of the Sierra Nevada.

From small beginnings in 1911, the Big Creek development now includes eight powerhouses with a generating capacity of 690,000 kw; five reservoirs with a storage capacity of 537 million acre-ft; a dozen or more dams of various sizes and types; and several tunnels and conduits, most notable being the Ward Tunnel, a 13-mile bore of 15x15-ft cross section.

The Mammoth Pool project raises the utility company's Big Creek investment to $212 million.

General design and over-all supervision of the Mammoth Pool project was carried out by the Southern California Edison Co.; R. W. Spencer, manager of engineering; Harold Barber, Big Creek project engineer; and Neville S. Long, Mammoth Pool resident engineer. Karl Terzaghi, Julian Hinds, Ian Campbell and Stanley D. Wilson were the utility's consultants on design of the embankment. The dam and powerhouse were designed and built by Bechtel Corp., San Francisco. Karl Taylor was Bechtel's project engineer, George Saul the project manager. Utah Construction Co., San Francisco, constructed the power tunnel. Macco Corp., Morrison Knudsen Co., Inc., & Associates drove the diversion tunnel.

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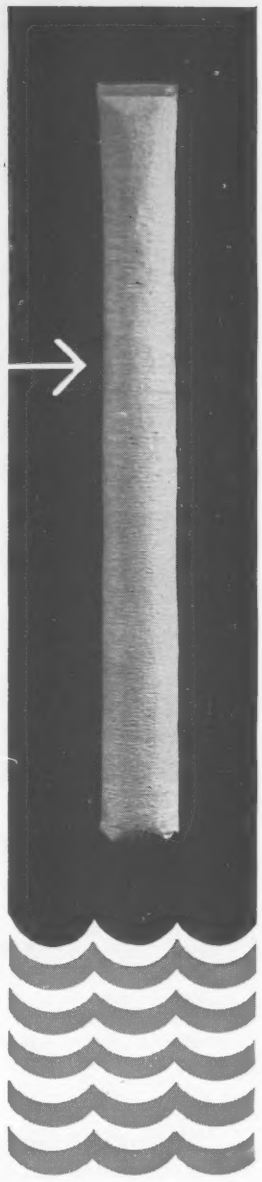

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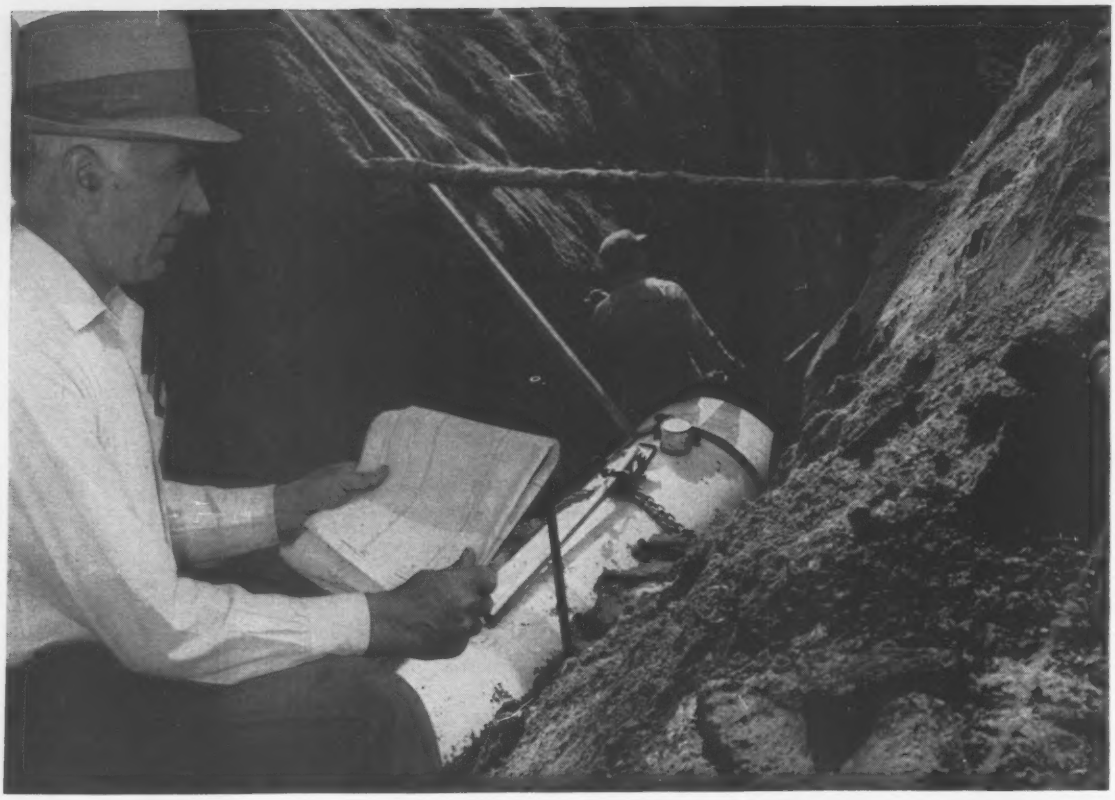

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Formula for Proper Blasthole Spacing

By G. L. Spaeth

Monsanto Chemical Co. has developed a method of figuring borehole spacing for blasting with ammonium nitrate blasting agents.

The system is based on theoretical equations modified by actual field observations.

The phenomenal increase in the use of fertilizer grade ammonium nitrate as a blasting agent ingredient in recent years points up the need for application methods.

The material accounts for nearly half the total annual consumption of explosive ingredients for all purposes in the United States.

The basic determination to be made is the maximum distance from the borehole at which the blast will fracture rock. This distance is called the critical radius, CR. Equating:

$$CR = \frac{K}{12}\sqrt{\frac{Pe}{S}}$$

Where: K = 0.8 (average value for most rocks)
Pe = peak explosion pressure (psi)
S = ultimate tensile strength of the rock (psi)

The values of maximum hole spacing, which equals 2CR for oxygen-balanced, prilled ammonium-nitrate fuel-oil mixtures, are given in the accompanying table for many common types of rock.

The following is an example of how to use the table:

Rock type—strong limestone
Borehole dia—6 in.
From table:
Spacing = 2.30 ft/in. of borehole dia
Spacing = 6 × 2.30 = 13.8 ft

Although ultimate tensile strengths of other rock types are not available at present, adequate values could be assumed.

If the assumption is true that shock waves are generated in all directions equally along a horizontal plane, then the zone of effective breakage from each borehole takes the shape of a cylinder with a diameter equal to twice the critical radius and as long as the borehole is deep.

In multiple row shooting, neglecting the effects of additive shock fronts from adjacent holes or simultaneous detonations, the cylinders of effective breakage should be so located that there is no unnecessary overlap and a minimum unaffected area between cylinders.

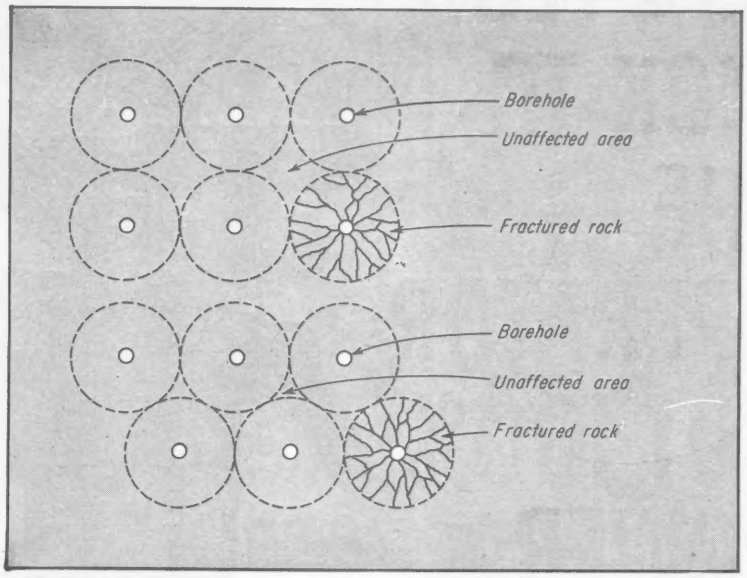
Since the staggered pattern (drawing) results in the smallest possible unaffected areas between holes, it appears to be the best for multiple-row shooting. Other variations of this pattern might be necessary, depending on the shape of the area to be blasted or the amount and direction of the desired rock throw.

In the Monsanto formula, peak explosion pressure is used instead of the pressure exerted on detonation (detonation stability reaction pressure). Because of the relatively slow explosive reaction of this mixture, the peak pressure is developed not at the front of the wave, as in most conventional explosives, but about one millisecond later. This delayed peak is the effective fracturing pressure generated in the blast.

The Monsanto system may not adapt to every shooting requirement. It is meant as a guide or starting point for blasting at any particular site. Subsequent adjustments may be necessary, but in many cases the system has proved accurate enough to eliminate later changes in spacing.

The system may not be valid in the case of small-diameter boreholes, since the hole-size may change appreciably before the blast attains peak pressure. The formula is also questionable at less than five-millisecond to ten-millisecond intervals; strain waves and crack developments might mutually interfere. Simultaneous detonation may permit the spacing to be increased as much as one and one-half times.

Monsanto plans to publish details on the spacing method shortly.



STAGGERED PATTERN results in a considerably smaller area of rock unaffected by ammonium nitrate-fuel oil blasting mixture.

Typical Borehole Spacing

Rock Type	Tensile Strength Psi	Spacing Ft/In. of borehole diam
Strong Granite	1298	1.92
Strong Anhydrite ..	1220	1.97
Strong Limestone ..	890	2.30
Average Granite ..	888	2.32
Marble	860	2.37
Weak Anhydrite ..	800	2.45
Graywacke	700	2.62
Strong Sandstone..	583	2.85
Average Limestone .	480	3.15
Marlstone	480	3.15
Weak Granite	422	3.37
Average Sandstone.	412	3.40
Salt (Potash-Halite).	400	3.46
Greenstone	380	3.55
Weak Limestone ...	280	4.12
Weak Sandstone ..	280	4.12

Mr. Spaeth has worked with construction, mining and quarrying companies in his study of ammonium nitrate blasting agents as supervisor of Monsanto Chemical Co.'s Industrial Technical Service program.

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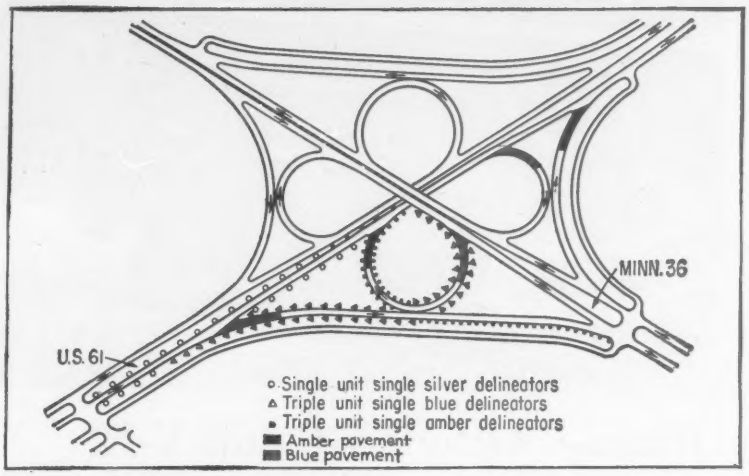

Unusual interchange treatment shows . . .

Color-Coated Roads Aid Drivers

Color-coated reflective road surfaces can ease traffic flow by increasing drivers' discernment of interchange ramps, according to results of a field test conducted by the Minnesota Department of Highways and Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Co.

Researchers developed an unusual reflective treatment of a typical interchange. This treatment includes a color-code system in which turnoffs and exit ramps are marked with blue: blue reflective signs, blue delineators and blue reflective coating of the pavement surface.

On-ramps and zones of merging traffic are marked by yellow, the standard color for caution: yellow delineators and yellow reflective treatment. Through-lane delineation is white with standard green background signs.

The coating applied to the roadway surfaces consisted principally of 20-40 mesh reflective particles and associated binder applied by conventional marking techniques with a modified, commercial striping machine.

During a seven-week test period, engineers studied driver reaction and behavior under five separate conditions of illumination. Electronic measuring devices collected data and 1,133 drivers were interviewed. All studies were conducted under night driving conditions during the hours of 9:30-11:30 p.m.

J. E. P. Darrell of the Department of Highways, Marvin D. Dunnette of the University of Minnesota, and Joseph T. Fitzpatrick of the 3M Company reported the results of the tests at the annual meeting of the Highway Research Board. Driver comments were reported to show a recognition and appreciation of the integrated reflective treatment. Darrell and Dunnette said that the new guidance system is "highly accepted, easily followed, and generally helpful."

Fitzpatrick says the new markings are designed as an economical supplement to existing traffic guidance devices.

Automation Spurs Demand For Direct Current Motors

The age of automation is rejuvenating a bygone era for electric motors. The need for accurate control is returning direct-current motors to popularity from the comparative oblivion into which they faded after the electric power utilities changed over to alternating current several decades ago.

CONTROL ENGINEERING, a McGraw-Hill publication, said last month that manufacturers of dc drives—motors and the controls that go with them—are predicting record sales in 1960.

Rapid automation in the steel and paper industries, with an attendant call for adjustable speed motors, is setting the demand pace. Since ac motors are generally fixed-speed devices, the automating machinery makers are reverting to dc motors.

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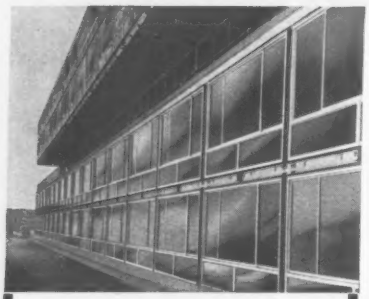

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'Jimmie' Offers V-6 and V-12

This year GMC has a truck line with a large number of engineering changes, including torsion bar front suspension, coil springs at the rear in light models, redesigned chassis and cabs in all models, new V-6 and V-12 gasoline engines and a V-6 diesel option. The line ranges from a ½-ton pickup to 59,000 lb gvw tractors, according to the manufacturer.

The new engines have 50 basic parts that are interchangeable. They range in horsepower from 150 to 275 and are designed to put out maximum torque at relatively low rpm's.

Conventional cabs are shortened and feature swing-away front fenders for easy service access. Tilt-cab models are fabricated from aluminum. Four-wheel drive is available in ¼ and ¾-ton models, and a complete range of factory-engineered tandem axles can be installed on larger models. GMC Truck Division, 660 South Blvd., Pontiac, Mich.

Big Diamond T Trucks Revamped

Diamond T has completely revamped its line of heavy-duty vehicles. Trucks built specifically for severe off-highway service, such as dump or mixer use, are supplied with oversize front axles in the 15-18,000 lb capacity class, heat-treated alloy steel frames and full-length frame inner-liners.

Other models range from 21,000 to 60,000 gvw, and can be furnished either with single rear axles or a wide variety of tandems incorporating Hendrickson suspension systems.

Gasoline powered Diamond T's utilize six and V-8 cylinder engines of up to 235 hp. Engines have wet-sleeve design. Transmission options include 5 to 15-speed combinations. Four varieties of Cummins diesels to 262 hp can be specified. Diamond T Motor Truck Co., Inc., 4401 West 26th St., Chicago, Ill.

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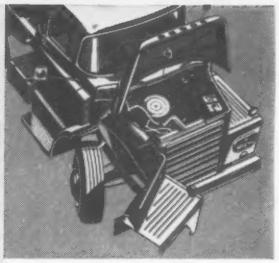

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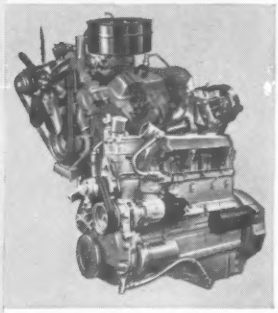

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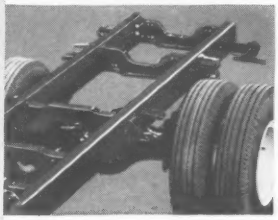

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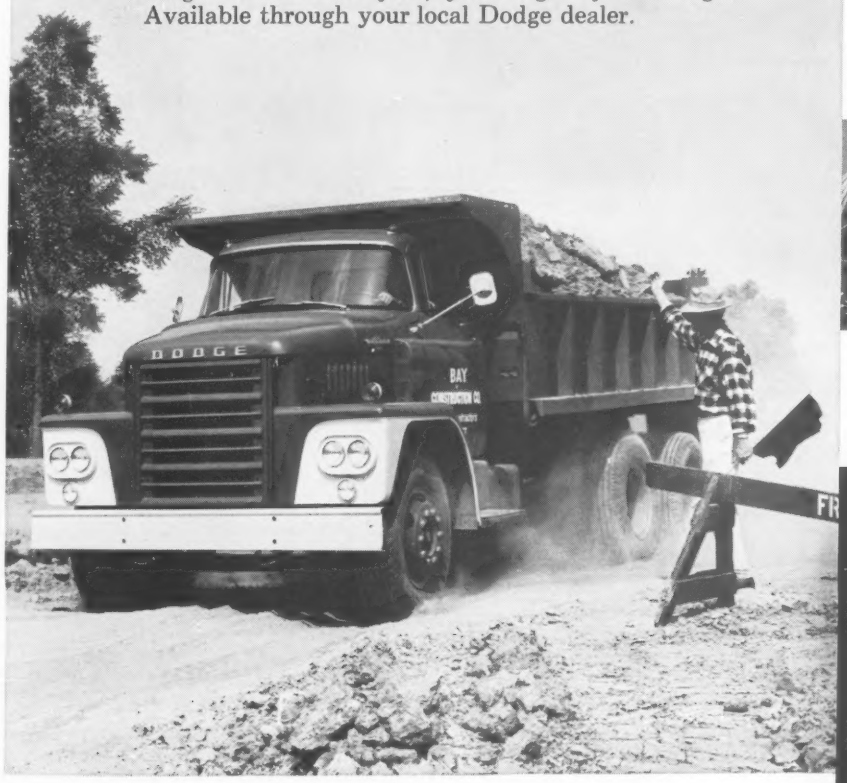

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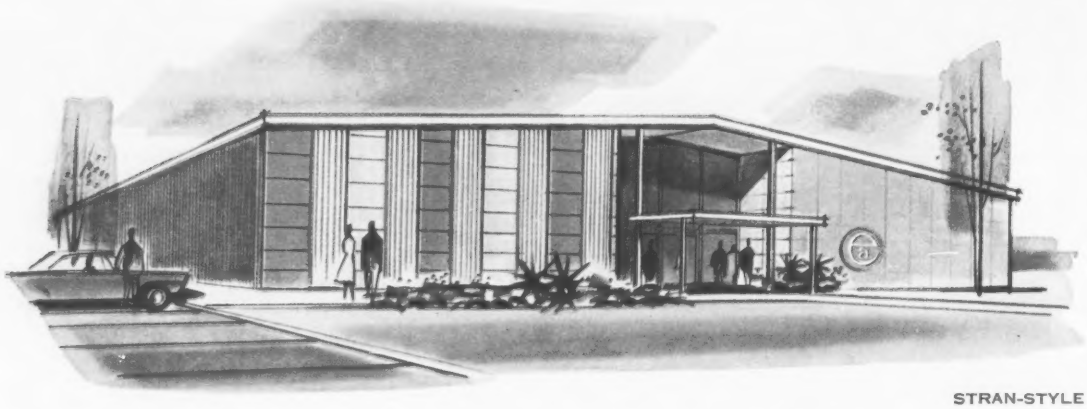

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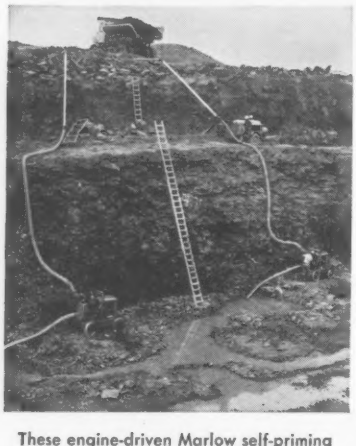

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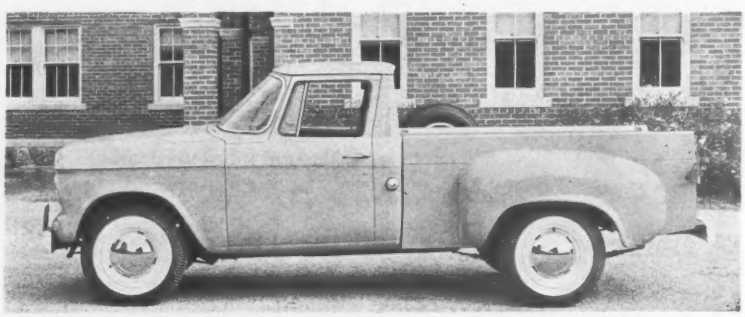
Chevrolet's truck lineup for 1960 features torsion-bar front suspension. Light-duty models combine this new system with coil springs at each rear wheel; larger units have variable-rate, two-stage, leaf-spring rear suspensions.

In tests conducted by the manufacturer to measure maximum safe speed at which a gross load could be handled, a 1960 tandem operated at 625 ton-miles per hour as against 250 for the equivalent 1959 model with conventional suspension.

The company offers 165 different models, ranging in size from ½-ton pickups to 36,000 gvw tandems. Engine options range from a 135-hp ohv six to a 230-hp V-8 that puts out 335 lb-ft of torque at peak. A complete line of optional transmissions is available including a six-speed automatic for the heaviest duty models. Four-wheel drive is offered as an option in ½ and ¾ ton models. CHEVROLET TRUCK DIVISION, 3044 WEST GRAND BOULEVARD, DETROIT, MICH.



'Champ' Pickups Give Visibility

Available in ½ and ¾ ton models, the Champ pickup truck by Studebaker is offered in 5,000, 5,200 and 7,000 gvw (gross vehicle weight) ratings. A choice of two wheel bases—112 and 122 in.—and four engines is offered.

The 5,000 gvw models are equipped with six-cylinder, 170-cu.-in., 90-hp engines. One of the 5,200 gvw models and one of the 7,000 gvw ¾ ton models have six-cylinder, 245-cu-in., 118-hp engines.

Standard engine on the 5,200 gvw, ½-ton model and on the 7,000 gvw, ¾-ton model is a V-8, 259-cu-in., 180-hp power plant. Optional on these models is a V-8, 289-cu-in., 210-hp engine.

The ½ ton with 112-in. wheel base is offered with a 6½ ft pickup box, the 122-in.-wheelbase model is offered with either an 8-ft pickup box or 8-ft platform or stake body. The ¾-ton model, with its 122-in.-wheelbase, is also available with an 8-ft pickup box on platform or stake body.

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Dodge Design Stresses Function

Dodge trucks for 1960 stress convenient operation and functional design. Light truck models range from 4,250 to 9,000 lb gvw and carry up to 5,000 lb payload.

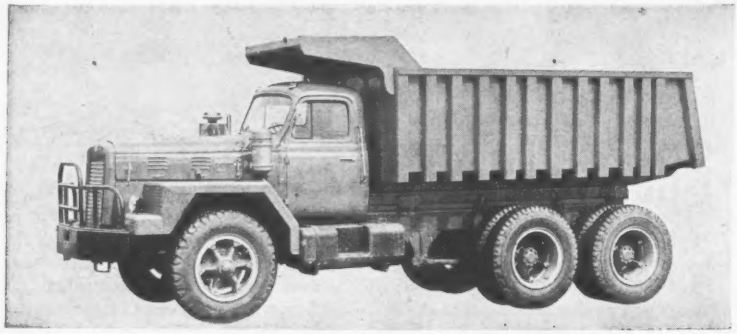
A 120-hp, six-cylinder engine is standard, with an optional 200-hp V-8 available. Six transmissions are available, including the button-controlled Loadflite automatic. Another option is the anti-spin differential for increased mobility on soft or slippery surfaces.

Newly styled medium tonnage trucks are offered in seven models, with maximum gvw up to 50,000 lb. Power plants are three V-8's at 178, 194, and 202-hp, in addition to two L-head 6s at 125 and 130-hp. Rear axle capacities range from 11,500 to 18,500 lb.

Choice of transmissions includes the Torqmatic, a six speed automatic that "senses" changes in driving conditions and automatically selects the proper gear. A "helper" transmission, available on some models, gives up to 15 forward speeds. On cab-forward models, features include fenders that swing forward to allow a man to stand next to the engine for service on either side, and a removable in-cab engine cover.

The high-tonnage, gasoline-powered units feature the swing forward fenders and have a new design that reduces the cab to only 89¾ in. from bumper to the back of the cab.

Torqmatic transmission is available and engines range up to 228-hp, with up to 400-lb-ft of torque. DODGE TRUCK DIVISION, 7900 JOSEPH CAMPAU AVE., DETROIT, MICH.



Harvester Off-Highway Line

Model F-230-D diesel-powered six-wheeler is one of six off-highway trucks introduced by the motor truck division of International Harvester Co. Rated at 59,000 lb gross vehicle weight, the F-230-D is equipped with a Cummins NH engine. With optional 18,000-lb front axle and 55,000-lb rear axle, it is rated at 73,000 lb gvw.

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Men and Jobs

B. A. Vallerga to Join Los Angeles Oil Company

B. A. Vallerga has been appointed director of products engineering for the Golden Bear Oil Co., Los Angeles.

In his new position Mr. Vallerga supervises and directs the engineering and promotional activities of the company, particularly in the area of soil conservation and highway construction. His headquarters are in Bakersfield, Calif.

Before joining the company Mr. Vallerga was managing engineer of the Asphalt Institute for the Pacific Coast Division.

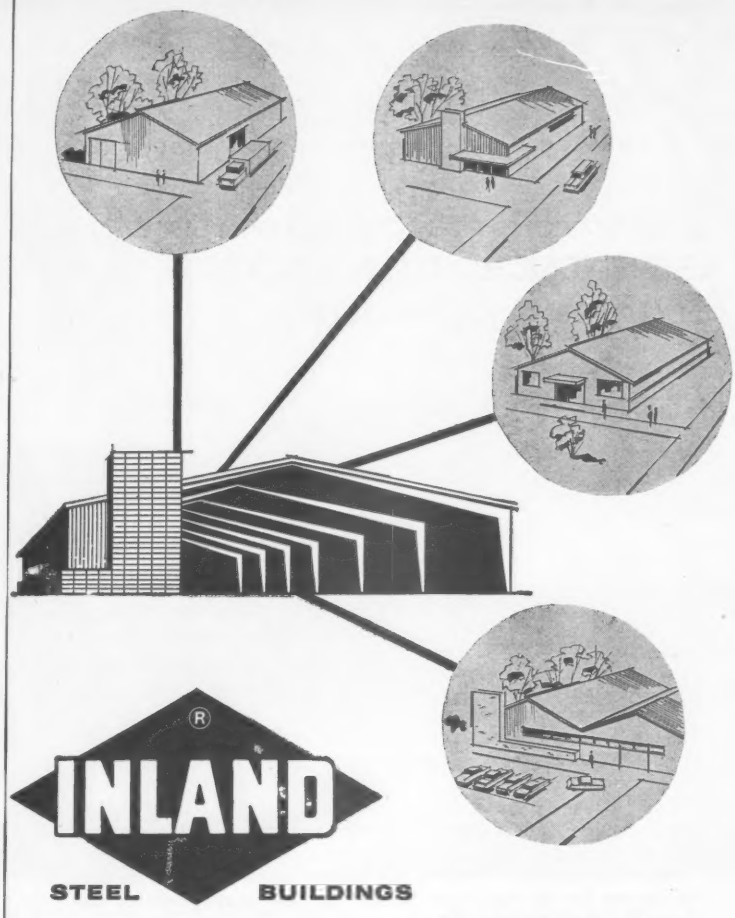
Mr. Vallerga has also been on the civil engineering faculty at the University of California and before that was with a private engineering firm dealing with materials testing and foundation investigations.

Mr. Vallerga is the author of many technical and research papers in the field of asphalt paving technology.

Vacant AED Presidency Filled by Herbert Mayer

Herbert J. Mayer has been named president of the Associated Equipment Distributors to fill the unexpired term of the late Jewel A. Benson, who died February 19. Mr. Mayer had been named senior vice president of AED at this year's annual meeting in Chicago. He is executive vice president of Western Machinery Co. and general manager of Edward R. Bacon Co., San Francisco.

Richard F. Newlin, of Newlin Machinery Co., Kansas City, Kan., has been advanced from vice president to senior vice president, while John R. Borchert of Borchert-Ingersoll, Inc., St. Paul, Minn., has been named vice president of the association.



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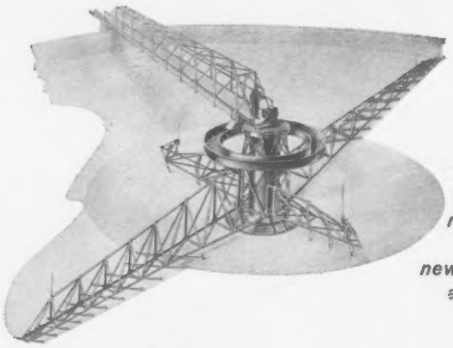

Long-term research program at Dorr-Oliver reveals new potentialities for an age-old technique

The technique of separation by sedimentation is one of the oldest arts of processing. It may be employed to produce a more or less clear liquor from a mixture of solids and liquid (clarification), or to concentrate suspended solids into a denser slurry (thickening). It may also be adapted to give fractional separation of particles of various sizes or specific gravities (hydro-separation).

Modern continuous sedimentation systems, which substitute mechanical means for the old batch methods of slow gravity settling and decanting, date from the invention of the Dorr Thickener in the early 1900's. Although the basic design has remained essentially unchanged, equipment has undergone considerable development. Devices such as multiple compartments and hinged rake arms, flocculation to promote economical handling of colloidal materials, and the combination of several operations within a single tank, have continually expanded scope and versatility.

A long-term project at Dorr-Oliver, aimed at increasing fundamental knowledge, has brought to light many previously unknown principles affecting thickener operation. Relatively simple laboratory tests permit accurate prediction of performance with a wide range of materials. Added to the experience gained in many present fields of application, these developments have resulted in a new understanding of the potentialities of the thickener as a tool for the processing industries.

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Consultants' Institute Elects Tatlow President

Richard H. Tatlow, III is the newly elected president of the American Institute of Consulting Engineers. Mr. Tatlow, president of Abbott, Merkt & Co., New York City consulting engineering firm, succeeds George S. Richardson of Pittsburgh.

Mr. Tatlow is a native of Colorado and holds two engineering degrees from the University of Colorado. During World War II he was an Army colonel and a member of the Construction Advisory Board of the War Department and was responsible for numerous industrial construction projects.

Elected to serve with Mr. Tatlow as vice presidents of the Institute are Gerald T. McCarthy, partner in Tippetts-Abbett-McCarthy-Stratton, and Harold M. Lewis, both of New York City.

W. R. Barrows Appointed Engineer at Gibbs & Hill

W. R. Barrows is the new chief hydraulic engineer at Gibbs & Hill, Inc., New York City consulting engineers.

Since 1957, Mr. Barrows held a similar position with the Pioneer Service & Engineering Co., Chicago. He joined Pioneer in 1952 as hydraulic engineer on designs, estimates and reports for hydroelectric projects.

Mr. Barrows has also worked for Erik Floor and Associates of Chicago, where he was chief engineer, and for the TVA. During his 11 years with the authority, he designed and supervised plans for dams, spillways, hydroelectric power plants, tunnels, surge tanks, penstocks and industrial buildings.

Arthur J. Benline to Head N. Y. Air Pollution Control

Arthur J. Benline, who has been technical director of the New York State Building Code since 1952, has been appointed commissioner of New York City's Department of Air Pollution Control.

Mr. Benline, a graduate of New York University, is both a licensed professional engineer and a registered architect in New York State. At one time he was chief engineer for the R.K.O. realty interests and later an engineer with the Federal Public Works Agency. From 1940 to 1952 he was with the New York City Department of Housing and Buildings. He commanded a Seabee battalion and amphibious forces task groups with naval construction duty in the Mediterranean and Pacific during World War II.

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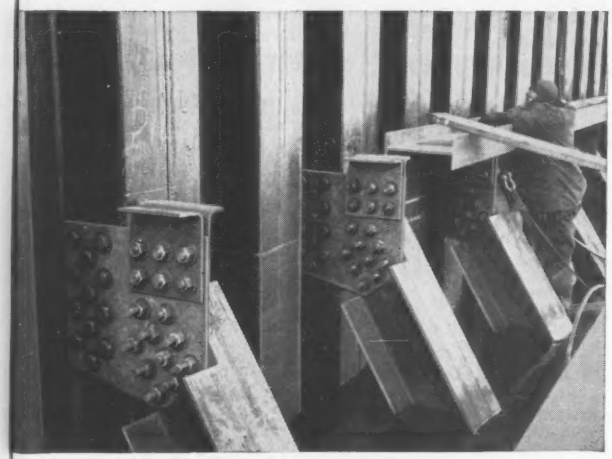

100-ft-long batter piles support the bulkhead at 6-ft intervals.

Construction of facilities at the new Brayton Point power station of New England Electric System included building a 1,160-ft long sheet piling bulkhead extending into the Taunton River opposite Fall River, Mass.

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J. C. Womack is California's new state highway engineer, succeeding John W. Vickrey who died (ENR Jan. 7, p. 49. Mr. Womack, who has been in the state's service for 30 years, has been deputy state highway engineer in charge of engineering. While working for the state, he has also served as a consultant in highway planning for the governments of Haiti and Japan.

Robert Pinther, sanitary engineer with the Indian health service, Billings, Mont., has been appointed to a similar post with the Wyoming Health Department.

Harrison Blankstein has been promoted to chief engineer and **Herman Ginsberg** to deputy chief engineer for the borough of the Bronx, New York City.

James Eldridge Blue, city engineer at New Bern, N. C., has been appointed director of public works and city engineer at Statesville, N. C.

Lt. Col. Edward C. Bruce has been assigned to Mobile, Ala., as Deputy District Engineer for the Army Engineers. He will be second in command of an organization of 1,400 employees to build Army and Air Force projects in the Southeast. He comes to Mobile from Fort Campbell, Ky., where he commanded the 70th Engineer Combat Battalion.

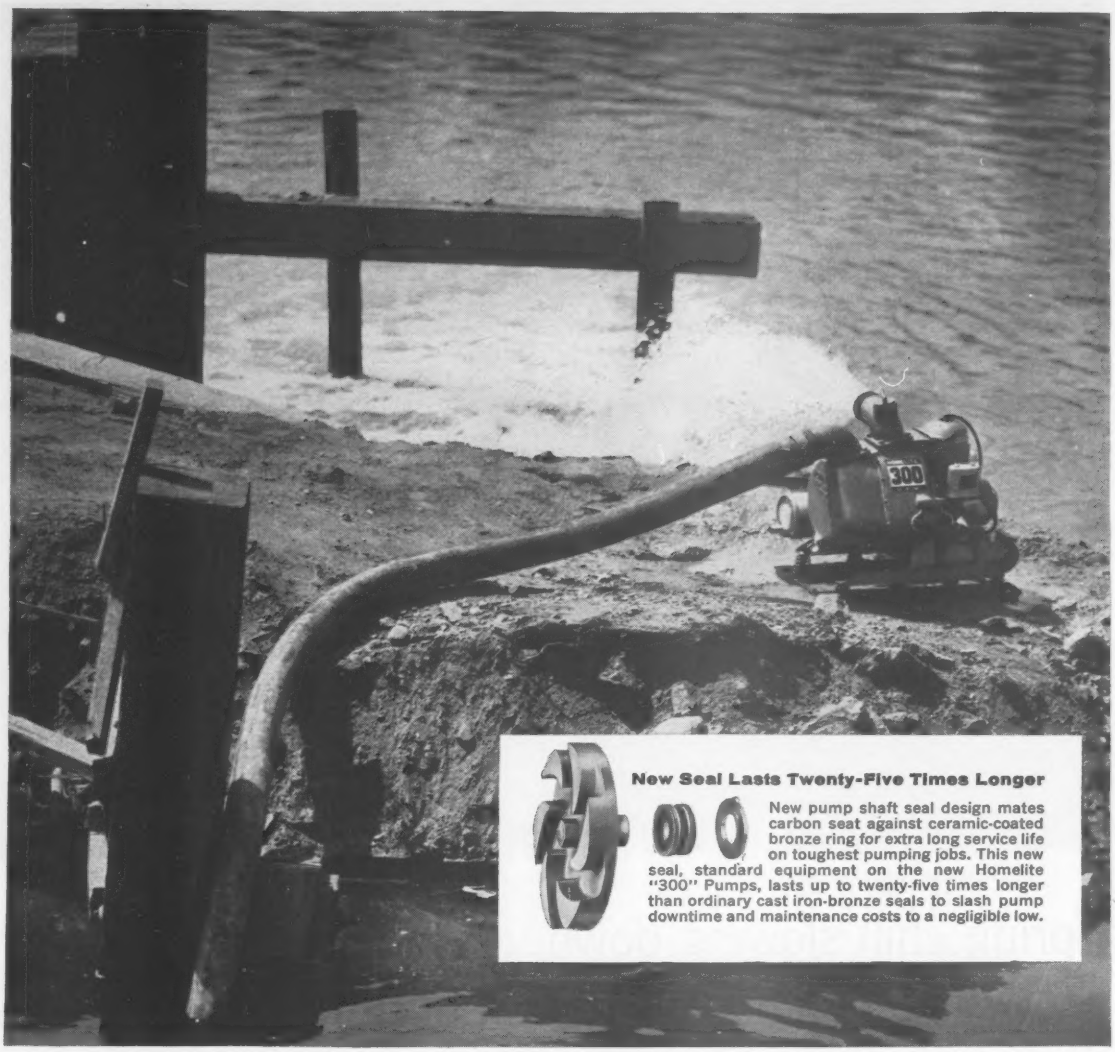
Col. Herrol J. Skidmore has been assigned Director of U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Laboratories, Fort Belvoir, Va. He has been district engineer at Huntington, W. Va. Col. Skidmore succeeds **Col. A. H. Davidson Jr.** who has been transferred to the Engineer Section, U.S. Army, Europe.

Capt. Harry F. Mumma, chief of military construction for the Omaha district office of the Army Engineers, has been transferred to Hanau, Germany.

Harold V. Varani is Director of Architecture and Engineering in the Philadelphia Department of Public Property. He joined the city service in 1947.

R. Franklin Outcalt, member of the Cleveland architectural firm of Outcalt, Guenther & Associates, has been named to the State Architects Board.

Lyman R. Gillis, has been named assistant California highway engineer in charge of administration. For the past two years he has been in charge of the location and design for freeways in the Los Angeles metropolitan area.



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Obituaries

J. J. Polivka Dies; Noted Designer, Teacher

Jaroslav Joseph Polivka, noted authority on photoelasticity and lecturer at Stanford University, is dead at 73.

Mr. Polivka, who is known for his work in mathematical and experimental stress analysis, has worked with such outstanding authorities as Emperger, Messnager and Frank Lloyd Wright. He designed the Czech pavillions at the Paris International Exhibit in 1937 and at the New York world's fair in 1938.

Mr. Polivka has been a consultant on the Guggenheim Museum in New York, the Johnson Tower in Racine, Wis., and the proposed "butterfly bridge" across the southern arm of San Francisco Bay.

Mr. Polivka came to this country in 1938 to work on the New York Exhibition, and later settled in California. From 1939 to 1945 he was a research associate at the University of California, and, since 1951, a lecturer at Stanford University.

Mr. Polivka received his master's degree at the Technical University of Prague in 1909 and a degree of Doctor of Technical Science in 1917. He also did graduate work at the Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich, Switzerland. He is the author of numerous books and papers, and the winner of several competitions and awards.

Albert J. Pipke, 56, owner and founder of Pipke Brothers, Milwaukee excavating and grading firm.

Raymond T. Stuart, Sr., 66, New England contractor and president and treasurer of T. Stuart & Son., Watertown, Mass.

William H. Nicklas, 93, Cleveland architect who was known for his church designs.

Finlay D. Scott, 76, retired vice president of the Clinton Construction Co., Los Angeles. He supervised construction on the city's Hall of Justice and the San Francisco mint.

Bassett Jones, 82, retired partner in Meyer, Strong & Jones, New York City consulting engineers. Mr. Jones was known for his work in designing high speed elevators for skyscrapers and also for his lighting systems, particularly the display he developed for the 1939 World's Fair. A graduate of the Stevens Institute of Technology and MIT, Mr. Jones made studies of metallic corrosion and rust prevention for the Panama Canal.

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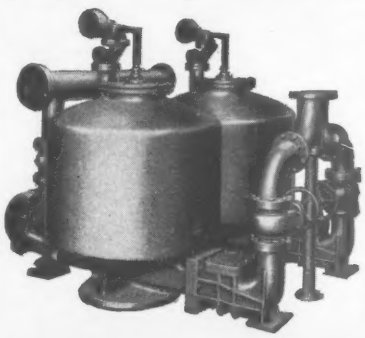

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PRINCIPLES OF ENGINEERING ECONOMY—Fourth Edition, by E. E. Grant and W. G. Ireson. 574 pages. The Ronald Press Co., New York, N. Y. $8.

The new edition of this widely used book on the economic aspects of engineering decision-making is principally an update. Chief change from the third edition is in emphasis on certain topics.

As in previous editions, the book continues to stress two important points: prospective differences between alternatives; and the determination of the return on an investment in capital goods from various investment opportunities.

The importance of income tax considerations is taken up early in the new edition. And a study is made of the extent to which after-tax rates of return are influenced by different methods of writing off cost for tax purposes. The book also explains depreciation methods under recent U. S. tax laws.

In discussing economy studies for public works, the authors go more fully into the relationship between benefit-cost ratio as a criterion for investment decisions and the more conventional criteria based on annual costs or prospective rates of return on investment.

The new edition places heavier emphasis on methods of analysis involving compound interest. Several new interest tables have been added to it to simplify computations.

NEW FORCES IN AMERICAN BUSINESS—by Dexter Merriam Keezer and associates in the McGraw-Hill Department of Economics. 278 pages. McGraw-Hill Book Co., New York, Toronto, London. $4.75.

Relatively steady growth and prosperity will be the general rule over the next decade. This is the bold and cheerful conclusion that the authors of this readable book state at the beginning, and support with thoughtful analyses.

Basically, their argument is that there are "built-in stabilizers" in the modern American economy that will confine up and down swings in business to a maximum of about 7%. They analyze these stabilizers and state definite conclusions about each. They do not foresee smooth progress upward, but write on the premise that "a clearer understanding of the forces making for the prospect that prosperity will be the general rule" will help to avoid foolish decisions that could roughen the road.

The "forces" that are discussed include scientific research and development, the changing consumer market, new marketing concepts, government's expanding role, export markets, and even agriculture's price supports. For looking ahead into the Sixties an awareness of these forces will be valuable. This book supplies it in easy-to-take doses.

Interpretation of Aerial Photos

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION: PRINCIPLES AND APPLICATIONS—by D. R. Lueder. 452 pages. McGraw-Hill Book Co., New York, Toronto, London. $17.50.

In the preface, the author refers to the new natural science of aerial-photographic interpretation, which he defines as a new intellectual discipline, using induction and deduction, and says that it treats the earth's surface as an integrated physical and ecological whole. This technology should not frighten away civil engineers interested in the subject, since Mr. Lueder has written a highly usable book.

The book treats aerial photographic interpretation as an aid to integrated terrain studies of every type, covering both theory and applications.

The elements of the photographic pattern, such as land form, rock type, surface drainage, erosion, gray tones, vegetation, and land use are fully discussed. Careful attention is given to their significance and interpretation. Photo analysis, photo reading, and photogrammetry are considered.

A sizable section of the book is devoted to land forms and rock types as they appear on the photograph.

Applications of aerial photographic techniques in civil engineering and other scientific fields are discussed. An appendix is devoted to the integration of photogrammetry and electronic computation in highway engineering.

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PLUMBING—Third Edition, by Harold E. Babbitt. 649 pages. McGraw-Hill Book Co., New York, Toronto, London. $13.50.

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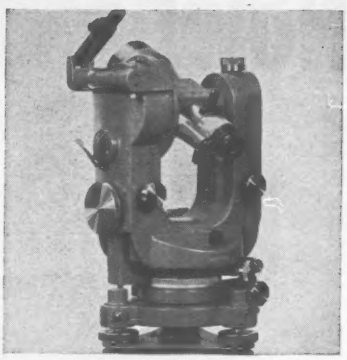

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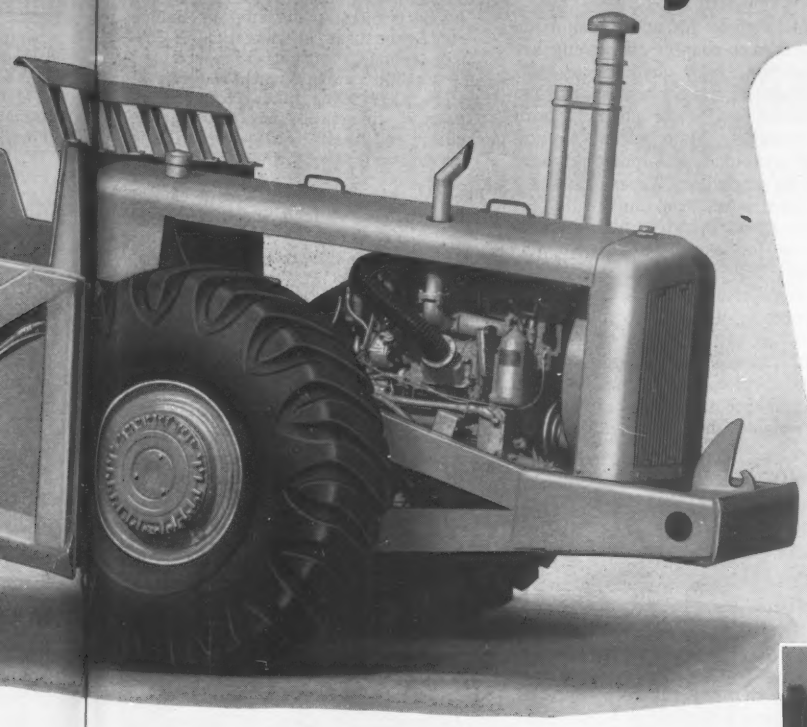

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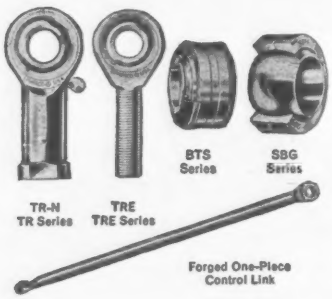

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Planner's Guide

SHOPPING TOWNS USA—by Victor Gruen and Larry Smith. 288 pages. Reinhold Publishing Corp., New York, N. Y. $13.50.

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Task Force Evaluation Report—Small-Sized Nuclear Power Plant Program—U. S. Atomic Energy Commission. 59-page report. United States Department of Commerce, Office of Technical Services, Washington 25, D.C. $1.75

MANUAL OF PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION—American Society of Photogrammetry 1515 Massachusetts Ave., N.W., Washington 5, D. C. $10.50.

ROUTE SURVEYS AND DESIGN—by Thomas F. Hickerson. Fourth edition. 568 pages. McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., 330 West 42nd St., New York, 36 N. Y. $8.50.

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AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION—by Donald R. Lueder. 462 pages. McGraw-Hill Book Co., Inc., 330 West 42nd St., New York 36, N. Y. $17.50.

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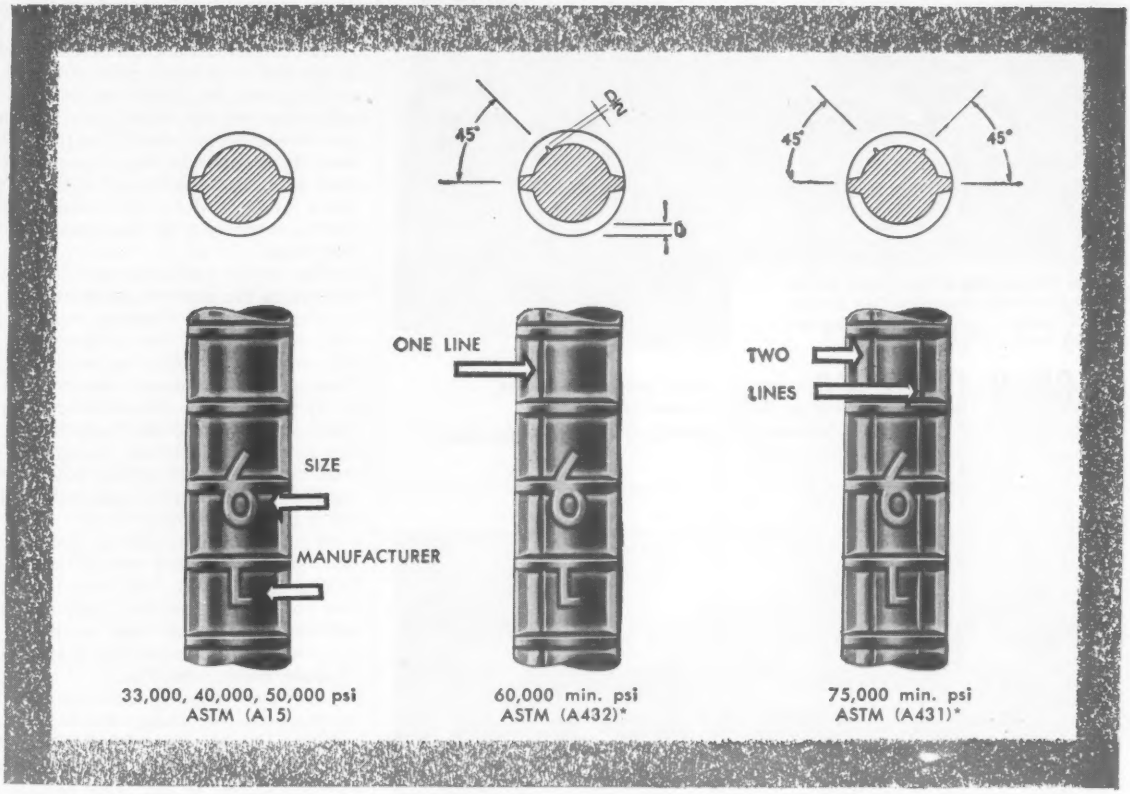

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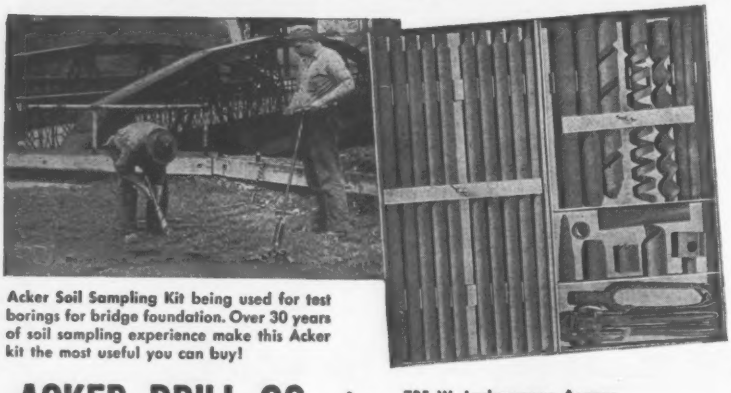

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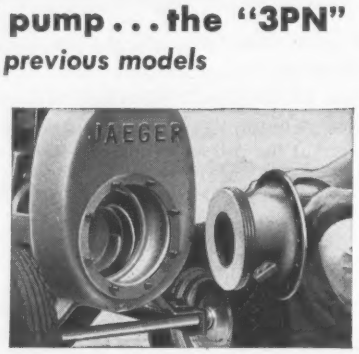

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A Contractor Is Liable For Acts of Negligence

A contractor is liable for damages resulting from negligence in the performance of his work. The law requires him to exercise reasonable care.

A discussion of the nature of the liability appears in a Connecticut case in which the owner of a retail clothing store contracted for the installation of a new roof at an agreed price of $2,773.

The owner, in a letter confirming the acceptance of the contractor's bid for performing the job, stated that the work was "to be done in such a manner so that at the completion of each day's work the roof will be tight" and "so as not to interfere with the operation of the store."

The roof, when completed, conformed to the contract specifications.

The contractor, however, was paid only $1,231.11 of the contract price. He brought an action to recover the balance due him under the contract.

The owner of the store counterclaimed that while the work was being performed certain merchandise and the interior ceiling had been damaged by the leakage of rain water and tar through the roof.

The trial court found that the water leakage, which caused most of the damage complained of, had been through the old roof and that the small amount of leakage of tar did not constitute a breach of the contract. The lawsuit, as a result, was not defective.

The court allowed the contractor a recovery for the balance due under the contract, less the sum of $88.85, which it determined was the damage caused by the leakage of tar. This judgment was affirmed on appeal.[1]

The appellate court stated: "There may, of course, be situations where even though there is no breach of a contract, a liability arises because of injury resulting from negligence occurring in the course of the performance of the contract. Dean v. Hershowitz, 119 Conn. 398,409, 177 A. 262, 12 Am. Jur. 1042, section 458. This liability arises from an application of the broad rule that the duty to exercise reasonable care arises whenever the activities of two persons come so in conjunction that the failure by one to exercise that care is likely to cause injury to the other. Borsoi v. Sparico, 141 Conn. 366,370, 106 A. 2d 170."

(1) Hedderman v. Robert Hall of Waterbury, 144 A. 2d 60, Supreme Court of Errors, Conn., July 1, 1958.

Meaning of a Contract Determined by Intent

The principal legal maxim in the construction of contracts is that the intent of the parties, gleaned from the instrument as a whole, should prevail.

The courts have expressed this maxim in a number of ways, as follows:

"The courts have always held that it is not within their province to write or rewrite the provisions of a contract and that the parties are free to make their own contractual arrangements. They have also always held that the provisions of a validly consummated contract will be enforced according to its terms."[1]

"In construing any written instrument, whether it be a will, contract, statute, or constitution, the primary and paramount rule is: *What was the intent or purpose of the makers of such written instrument?* And it is conceded to be the almost universal law that that intent or purpose shall be chiefly gathered from the language employed in such instrument. State ex rel. Maher v. Baker, 88 Ohio St. 165, at page 172, 102 N.E. 732, 734.

"The proper rule in interpreting contracts is to ascertain intention of parties and to give effect to that intention, if it can be done consistently with legal principles. * * * Intention of parties to contract is to be gathered not from particular words and phrases, but from entire language used in agreement, if it can be done. Coe v. Suburban Light & Power Co., 32 Ohio App. 158, 167 N.E. 693."[2]

"The general principle in the construction or interpretation of contracts that the intention of the parties must be gathered from the contents, phraseology, and words of the document itself, unless there is some ambiguity in its language, is too elementary to need citation of authority. Only when the language or words, used in their ordinary sense, are vague, doubtful or have two meanings, may extrinsic evidence be used to determine the intention of the parties."[3]

In doubtful cases, where the contract has been prepared by one party and accepted by the other, the courts will generally resolve the doubts against the party that prepared the contract.

(1) Chicago Great Western Ry. Co. v. Farmers Produce Co., 164 F. Supp. 532.
(2) Wesley v. Electric Auto-Lite Co., 155 N.E. 2d 713.
(3) Coopersmith v. Isherwood, 150 A. 2d 245.

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Railway Slope Protection Job

Rock riprap and/or gravel blankets will be placed at various locations along a 20-mile stretch of the Wenatchee-Oroville Branch of the Great Northern Railway north of Wenatchee, Wash., for stabilization and erosion protection of the existing 1½:1 to 1:1-in. railroad embankment slopes when they become inundated by the pool formed by the Rocky Reach Hydroelectric Dam.

Stone & Webster Engineering Corp., Boston, is the engineer.

The Chelan County Public Utility District, Wenatchee, Wash., awarded the contract at $1,410,674 to Goodfellow Bros., Inc., Wenatchee, on a low bid 8.8% under the second and 33% under the high of four bids.

The blankets will be placed to an elevation of 5 ft above the maximum pool. Minimum thickness of riprap blankets is 5 in., and of gravel, 3 in.

Usual railroad building equipment will be used, but because of the limited area between the railroad embankment and the Columbia River, difficulties will be encountered in the transportation and handling of materials.

Prevailing wages include: carpenter $3.38; crane & shovel operator (3 yd & under), $3.93; tractor operator $3.56; common labor, $2.80.

Liquidated damages are 50% of the contract cost, and contractor has posted a performance bond.

1C	Goodfellow Bros., Inc., Wenatchee, Wash.	$1,410,674
2	Fred H. Slate Co. & E. C. Hall Co., Portland, Ore.	1,548,349
4	Morrison-Knudsen Co., Inc., Seattle	2,111,738

Bids: 2-25-60 Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit Prices 1C	2
Clear & grub	ls	job	$2,000	$30,000
Exc, uncl, incl haul & compact	cy	14,300	0.90	0.85
Riprap	cy	516,000	1.72	1.75
Rockfill, incl compaction	cy	62,000	1.72	1.75
Gravel transition layer	cy	192,000	0.90	1.00
heavy, and boulders	cy	24,000	0.80	0.90
Water	Mgal	40,000	0.01	1.00
Excavation, slope	cy	18,000	1.60	1.00
toe trench	cy	18,300	1.60	1.50
Gravel for RR subgrade & subballast in stockpile	cy	38,000	1.00	1.20
Metal culv pipe for casings, 6", 16 gage	lf	200	3.00	2.00
8", 16 gage	lf	200	4.00	2.45
12", 14 gage	lf	200	6.00	3.50
Metal culvert pipe, 6", 16 gage, type 1	lf	27	2.00	2.25
12", 14 gage, type 4	lf	125	6.00	4.25
24", 12 gage, type 4	lf	390	14.50	10.00
36", 12 gage, type 4	lf	620	20.00	15.00
Metal drain pipe, perforated, 12", 16 gage, type 1	lf	572	4.00	3.75
12", 16 gage TEE	ea	2	50.00	40.00
Structural plate pipe, 84", 10 gage, type 1	lf	182	60.00	60.00
108", 8 gage, type 1	lf	170	85.00	180.00
Excavation, structure	cy	3,200	4.00	4.00
uncl ditch	cy	3,500	4.00	2.00
Mechanical tamper	hr	530	6.00	7.50
Backfill, impervious	cy	750	4.00	1.00
gravel, for drains	cy	1,100	5.00	4.50
Riprap, hand placed	cy	260	20.00	25.00
Culverts, plug existing, class C concrete	cy	50	60.00	100.00
cement sand slurry	cy	1,000	10.00	40.00
50% performance bond	ls	job	7,267	7,942

Commence: 3-15-60. Complete: 12-31-60.

Building Tunnel Averages $897 per Lin Ft.

Over-all cost of connecting the existing Los Angeles State Office Building # 1 by subterranean tunnel to new State Office Building # 2, averages a cost of approximately $897.20 per lin. ft. The California Department of Public Works, Division of Architecture, Sacramento, awarded the contract at $129,232 to Kemper Construction Co., Los Angeles. The lump sum award was 12% under the engineers estimate.

The reinforced concrete tunnel, with a wall thickness of 1 ft 2 in., will be 105 ft long. An open trench will be 39 ft long; total overall length, 144 ft. Low point of tunnel floor will be 28 ft 4 in. below street level. Slope from Office building # 2 to sump pit at station 97.8, minus 0.047 ft/ft; sump pit to Office Building # 1 at station 138.66, is plus 0.056 ft/ft.

Two methods of construction are permitted for the tunnel, both calling for a width of 7.5 ft. The rectangular method will have an average height of approximately 8 ft. The optional segmental arch-method will have an average spring line of 6 ft 6½ in., and radius of 4 ft 2 in.

The tunnel will provide a walkway, and space for racked pipe conduits for steam, condensate return, vacuum, intercomm, etc.

Work includes open excavation; tunneling and tunnel construction; removal and replacement of street and property improvements; mechanical and electrical work; automatic fire sprinklers; metal doors and frames; and other related work and appurtenances.

Prevailing wage rates for tunnel workers include: blaster, driller & powderman, $3.50; miner, hand or machine, $3.50; Kemper and other pneumatic concrete placer operators, $3.50; concrete crew, including rodder & spreader, $3.25. Prevailing wages for other workers include: carpenter, $3.70; electrician, $4.50; general laborer, $2.98.

Work began in February with 200 work days allowed for completion. Liquidated damages are $100/day.

Materials and Labor Prices

Monthly Market Quotations by ENR Field Reporters

CEMENT, AGGREGATE, READY-MIXED CONCRETE—F. O. B. CITY

	PORTLAND CEMENT* Per bbl. C/L lots cash, dis. not deducted			SAND AND GRAVEL Per ton, carload lots			CRUSHED STONE Per ton, carload lots		CRUSHED SLAG Per ton, carload lots, f.o.b. plant		CONCRETE BLOCK 8x8x16-in.,* truckload del.* per block		CONCRETE Ready Mixed 1:2:4 del. per cy
	Paper	Bulk	Mortar	Gravel, 1½ In.	Gravel, ¾ In.	Sand	1½ In.	¾ In.	1½ In.	¾ In.	Sand grav.	Lt. wgt. agg.	50 cy & over
Atlanta	$4.38a†	$3.88a†	$3.68a†	$3.10a†	$3.10a†	$1.85†a	$2.18a	$2.33a	$1.65r	$1.75r	$0.175o	$0.21o	$13.75g
Baltimore	4.42a	3.91a	3.56a	2.80†a	2.80†a	2.25†a	2.85†a	2.90†a	2.05†a	2.00†a	.18a	.18a	13.50ou
Birmingham	4.43c	3.40ef	....	2.53ns	2.53ns	2.13ns	2.75s	2.75s	1.65d	1.75d	.19	.19	14.25q
Boston	5.83ip	4.52ap	4.90imp	3.00qss	3.00qss	3.00qss	1.75qss	1.85qss	....	....	.23o	.275ao	15.00q
Chicago	4.52ag	4.02ag	4.15g	3.78†e	3.78†be	4.13†be	3.95†be	3.95†be	2.25†e	2.25†e	.26†e	.26†be	13.50e
Cincinnati	4.84c	4.34c	4.31c	2.20†cu	2.34†cu	2.44†cu	2.51†cu	2.74†cu	1.80u	1.80u	.19e	.25ao	15.00qr
Cleveland	1.37‡	....	4.19†ae	2.25ae	2.25ae	1.75ae	2.80fy	2.80fy	2.20†f	2.20†f	....	.29f	17.25u
Dallas	3.65a	3.25a	3.53a	2.65†a	2.75†a	1.90†	2.43	2.63	....	....	....	.27	12.50z
Denver	4.89a	4.39a	4.89	1.95†	2.15†	1.42†b	....	3.00†z	....	....	.25	.27eo	11.90
Detroit	4.80a	3.89aqg	3.97a	4.50†abm	4.50†abm	4.25†abm	3.75†abm	3.75†abm	2.53aqas	2.53aqas	.34s	.27†aw	15.50eaa
Kansas City	4.53a	3.92a	4.30a	....	....	1.85†a	2.00†z	2.00†z	....	....	.22a	.26e	14.00
Los Angeles‡	5.12ah	4.68ah	5.60c	2.86†at	2.76†at	2.41†at	2.41†at	2.46†a t	....	....	.19f	.205	13.46hlz
Minneapolis	4.66a	4.15a	4.25a	2.70†ae	2.70†ae	1.80†ae	3.95†ae	3.95†ae	....	....	.20g	....	14.30f
Montreal	3.36†det	3.11‡det	3.72†det	1.90†a†	2.15†a†	2.40†a	1.90††	2.15††	2.00†	2.00†	.20†	.28††	10.80ek†
New Orleans	4.06b	3.65b	3.85b	2.61b	2.61b	2.16b†	....	....	1.65d	1.75d	.39r	.29	14.00e
New York	4.68a	4.18a	3.75a	....	3.20bk	2.30bkw	2.29bbb	2.29bbb	....	....	.265uw	.32bw	17.60ay
Philadelphia	4.49†as	3.99†as	3.51†e	1.95†a	1.95†a	1.55†a	2.00†a	2.30†a	2.25†a	2.25†a	....	.225	13 90z
Pittsburgh	5.65bfk	4.62bj	5.00bjl	2.68†aqv	2.68†aqv	3.08†aqv	2.00†aqv	2.00†aqv	2.10w	2.10w	.26rz	.26rz	16.15o
St. Louis##	4.54a	4.04a	4.24a	3.40†as	3.40†as	2.40/3.40†as	1.75je	1.75je	....	....	.255†o	.315†co	13.65/14.10q
San Francisco	4.34c	3.79c	4.78c	2.02	2.02	2.12	2.17	2.17	....	....	.24	.28cl	13.00cw
Seattle	4.47‡a	3.75ag	4.65a	4.25†bm	4.25†bm	4.25†bm	4.50†bm	4.50†bm	....	....	.324s	.45cs	14.70f
Toronto	5.20i	3.84i	5.20i	2.40	2.40	2.05	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.40	.26	.275cu	13.75g

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Boston	.....	.....	.....	22.00apS	46.00apS	22.00asS	46.00asS	.105awF	.22awF	.14aOR	.15OR	.....
Chicago	150.00ta	95.00†ab	3.95/4.00†aj	22.00b	32.00b	20.40bv	30.40bv	.10bwH	.18bwH	.08b	.....	.....
Cincinnati	.....	.....	.....	26.00SU	.....	26.00ff	.....	.1165wSU	.....	.109	.1265	.....
Cleveland	.....	89.50†d	6.30	26.00tA	.....	26.00tA	.....	.1165wAF	.....	.....	.1265tA	.31A
Dallas	#	40/80p	#	26.00	46.35	.1138	.1983	30.50	53.45	.1100	.1138	.1983
Denver	.....	62.00a	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
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Minneapolis	.....	.....	3.78h	23.70	.....	23.70v	.....	.125w	.....	0.95	.1375bb	.....
Montreal	#	#	#	30.50n	43.60n	.167n	.211n	17.80nwE	22.20nwE	.155n	.242n	.27nX
New Orleans	#	#	#	30.00e	.....	30.00ev	.....	.095ew	.....	.085eB	.095eBL	.1905eB
New York	.....	.....	3.70f	23.99mO	45.94mO	23.99rtO	45.94rtO	10.61uF	20.01uF	.....	10.68u	20.11u
Philadelphia	.....	.....	.....	21U	.....	21U	.....	.095U	.....	.095U	.....	.....
Pittsburgh	60.00k	95.00n	6.35n	31.20is	.....	31.20is	.....	.1403S	.....	.141S	.1403i	.....
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San Francisco	.....	70.00	.....	22.50qdd	41.00qdd	22.50qkndd	41.00qkndd	22.50qNdd	46.50qNdd	23.25qWdd	23.50qXdd	.2023qXdd
Seattle	.....	.....	.....	24.00s	47.00k	33.00sec	38.50	25.50KE	.....	28.75kvY	25.80ksX	49.80krsX
Toronto	.....	139.00†t	4.50f	38.90	59.01ee	0.2075	0.2773ee	0.222w	0.2704wee	0.233	0.2122ee	.268Zee

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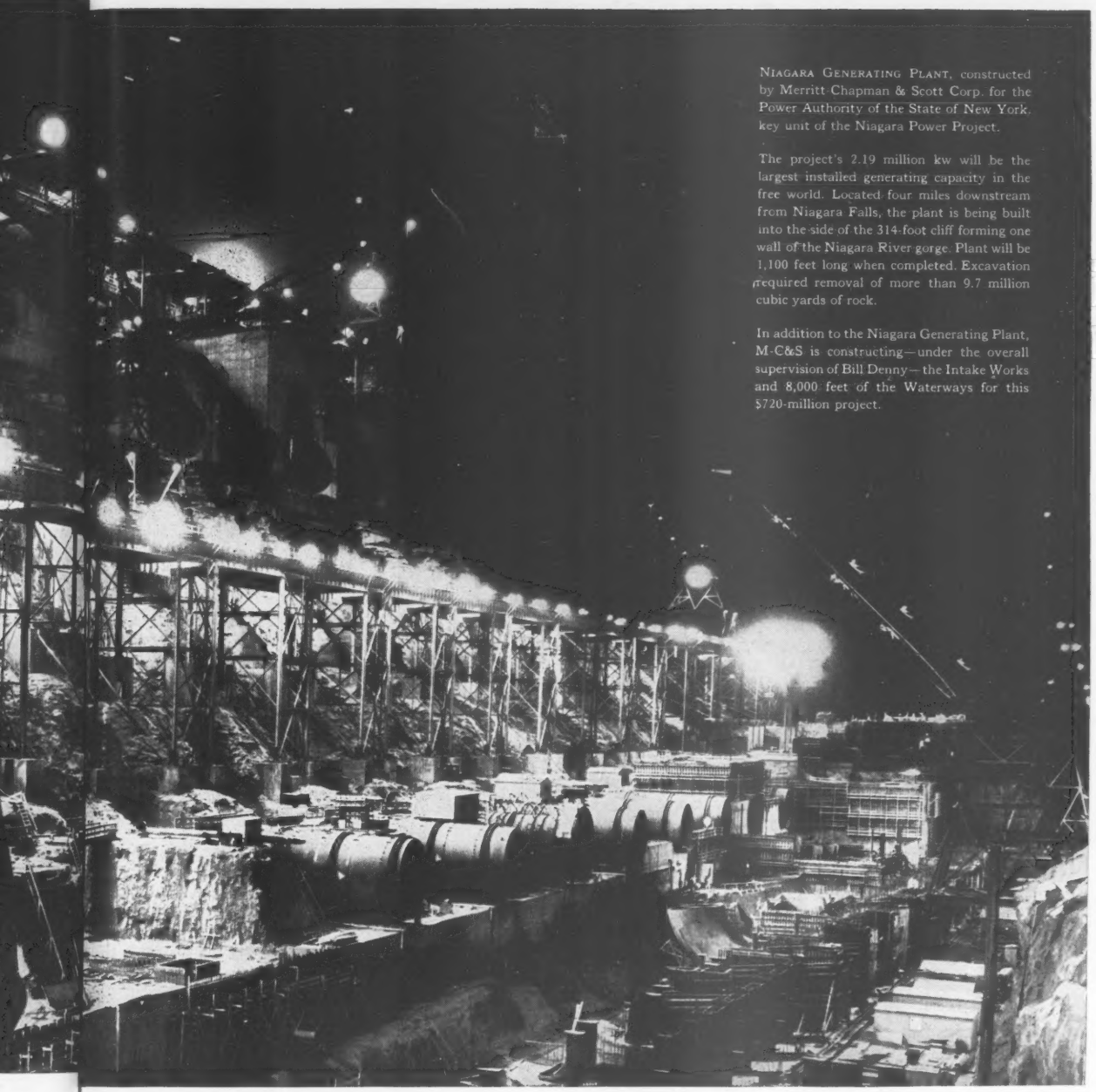

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NEW ENGLAND

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

▲ **Massachusetts**—BA 4/18—Commonwealth of Mass., Metropolitan Dist. Comn., Sewerage Div., 20 Somerset St., Boston. Contr. 183, Section No. 135, Westwood Interceptor Sewer, Canton, Westwood and Norwood. $1,000,000. Plans deposit $15. Whitman & Howard, Inc., 89 Broad St., Boston, engr. CD 8/31.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **N. H., Durham**—APARTMENTS—BA 4/13—University of New Hampshire, Thompson Hall, faculty and married students apartments, Demerrit Rd. $1,000,000. Extended date. Koehler & Isaak, 1880 Elm St., Manchester, archts. CD 3/14.

▲ **Conn., Fairfield**—MOTEL, etc.—BA 4/14—Barry Bruce Corp., c/o Anderson & Petrofsky, archts., 177 State St., Bridgeport, 47-unit brick veneer, block masonry motel and swimming pool, Black Rock Tpk. $1,000,000. CD 3/9.

▲ **Conn., East Hartford**—SCHOOL—BA 4/26—Town, School Bldg. Comn., Town Hall, Junior High School Wing Junior-Senior High School, Forbes St. $2,000,000. Russell F. Hills, 161 Washington St., Hartford, archt. John P. Legnos Assocs., 30 Gillett St., Hartford, engrs. CD 3/23.

BUILDINGS—SLC

▲ **Conn., Waterbury** — SHOPPING CENTER — Colonial Plaza Corp., 323 Main St., Paterson, N. J., soon lets contract shopping center, W. Main St. $1,600,000. Bernard Hersch, 12-45 Plaza Rd., Fairlawn, N. J., archt. CD 2/26.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **NEW HAMPSHIRE**—Dpt. P. Wks. & Hys., Concord, Bids opened 3/24,

N. H.—George Brox, Inc., 70 Park St., Hudson, Mass., LB **$923,508,** hot b. conc. roadway and 342 ft. deck plate girder bridge 1.317 mi., Salem, Rockingham Co.;

N. H.—Frank W. Whitcomb Constr. Corp., North Walpole, N. H., LB **$208,239,** (5 bidders), plant mixed surf. treatment 40.05 mi. Divisions 4 and 7, Cheshire and Sullivan Counties. CD 3/17.

▲ **R. Zoppo Co.,** 842 Providence Highway, Norwood, Mass., LB **$858,723,** (7 bidders), sewerage system, 2 pumping stations, force mains, GLASTONBURY, CONN. Town, Town Hall, Glastonbury, Conn. Buck & Buck, 650 Main St., Hartford, engrs. Bids Mar. 23. CD 2/26; **A. F. Peaslee, Inc.,** 37 Lewis St., Hartford, Conn., LB **$305,583,** sewage treatment plant (Glastonbury, Conn.).

▲† **Fusco-Amatruda Co.,** 59 Amity Rd., New Haven, Conn., CA **$1,623,700,** enlisted men's barracks, U. S. Naval Submarine Base, GROTON, CONN. Area P. Wks. Office, 3rd Naval Dist., Room 633, 90 Church St., New York, N. Y., Bids Mar. 2. CD 3/4, under LB.

▲ **George A. Fuller Co.,** 597 Madison Ave., New York, N. Y., CA **$5,800,000,** air conditioning 10 story, 32,000 sq. ft. internal court office addn., 700 Main St., HARTFORD, CONN. Travelers Insurance Co., 700 Main St., Hartford, Conn.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **City, Dpt. School Bldgs.,** 26 Norman St., Boston, Mass., cancelled bids to have been opened Mar. 24, elementary school, Dwight District, Roxbury, BOSTON, MASS. **$1,000,000.** John M. Gray Co., 153 Milk St., Boston, Mass., archts. Will re-advertise early April. CD 3/2.

▲ **Leonard Rugo, Inc.,** 47 River St., Wellesley, Mass., LB **$1,845,500,** est. $1,750,000, JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, River St., BRAINTREE, MASS. Town, Supt. Schools, 10 Tremont St., Braintree, Mass. Bids Mar. 24. CD 3/1.

▲ **C. R. Burns & Son,** 21 Doran Rd., Brookline, Mass., LB **$1,003,000,** est. $1,000,000, ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, Grove St. and Robinson Rd., LEXINGTON, MASS. Town, Supt. Schools, 1557 Mass. Ave., Lexington, Mass. Bids Mar. 24. CD 2/29.

▲ **Green Acres, Inc.,** 99 Wintonbury Ave., Bloomfield, Conn., Owner Builds, **$1,873,950,** 93 HOUSES, Briarcliff, Cherry Park, AVON, CONN.

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BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **N. J., Princeton**—JUNIOR FACULTY HOUSING—BA 4/12—Princeton University, 1st unit 8 story, 37 x 400 ft. Junior Faculty Housing, $1,750,000. Ballard, Todd & Snibbe, 123 E. 77 St., New York, N. Y., archts. Froioli-Blum & Yesselman, 250 E. 43 St., New York, N. Y., engrs. CD 10/26.

▲ **N. Y., Rochester**—HOME FOR AGED—BA 4/13—St. Ann's Home Corp., 50 Chestnut St., 10 story, steel frame with poured concrete slabs for fdn., brick exterior, etc. home for aged. $4,500,000. Plans deposit $100 general, $75 mechanical trades. Barrows, Parks, Morin, Hall & Brennan, 133 East Ave., archts.

▲ **N. Y., Elmont**—SCHOOL, etc.—BA 4/20—Diocese Rockville Centre Bldg. Comn., 253 Sunrise Hy., Rockville Centre, N. Y., St. Vincent De Paul School and Convent. $1,000,000. Anthony J. DePace, 151 W. 46th St., New York 19, N. Y., archt.

▲ **Pa., University Park** — PSYCHOLOGY CENTER — BA 4/20—General State Auth., 18th and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, 2 unit 2 story each connected by 42 ft. parallel enclosed passageway at second story level education and psychology center. $2,370,000. CD 3/15, under LB.

▲ **N. Y., Buffalo**—SCHOOL—BA 4/26—Bd. Educ., 801 City Hall, Zone 2, School 53 addn. $1,300,000. Plans deposit $50 general, $25 mechanical trades. Anthony Carlino, 277 Delaware Ave., archt. CD 3/4.

▲ **N. Y., Oceanside**—SCHOOL, etc.—BA 4/26—Diocese Rockville Centre Bldg. Comn., 253 Sunrise Hy., Rockville Centre, St. Anthony's School and Convent. $1,000,000. J. Sanford Shanley, 152 E. 36th St., New York 16, N. Y., archt.

▲ **N. Y., West New Brighton**—HOUSES—BA 4/28—New York City Housing Auth., 299 Broadway, New York, Zone 7, Proj. NY-5-40, fdns. and general constr., heating and ventilating, electrical work, plumbing, furnishing, installation of elevators for West Brighton Houses, Henderson Ave., Broadway, Castleton Ave. and Alaska St. Plans deposit $75, $25 for installation of elevators. Extended date. CD 2/18.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **NEW YORK**—State Dpt. P. Wks., State Office Bldg., Albany,

N. Y.—Bero Constr. Corp., Box 70, W. River Rd., Waterloo, N. Y., CA **$1,009,928,** est. $1,231,000, b. conc. Type 2A pavt. 2.32 mi., misc. work 0.03 mi. City of Cortland: Arterial Hy., Tompkins and Fort Watson Sts. Rtes. 11 and 13, FAC 60-4, Proj. U-481 (7), Cortland Co.;

N. Y.—R. DiAngelo & A. Stento Contractors, 168 Conklin Ave., Binghamton, N. Y., CA **$630,613,** est. $753,000, b. conc. pavt. 2.44 mi., misc. work 0.01 mi., 3 comp. beam brs. 2 sp. 100 ft., 1 sp. 63.3 ft., 1 sp. 75.0 ft., Canisteo-Whitesville, Pt. 4, SH 8104, Canisteo-Whitesville, Pt. 5, SH 8204, Rte. 248 FARC 60-14, Proj. F-367 (6), Steuben Co.;

N. Y.—Green Island Contg. Corp., 594 Broadway, Watervliet, N. Y., CA **$750,959,** est. $982,000, b. conc. Type 1A, 4.42 mi., prestressed concrete comp. beam br. 76 ft. sp. Delta-Westernville, SH 1141, Rome-Northwestern, Pt. 1, SH 561, Rte. 46, FARC 60-14, Proj. S-327(2), Oneida Co. Grand total $2,391,500. Bids Feb. 18, awarded Mar. 26. CD 2/25, under LB.

▲ **Bethlehem Steel Co.,** 25 Broadway, New York 4, N. Y., CA **$23,413,900,** Sched. II, Narrows Bridge, Contr. NB-2S, Staten Island Tower, NEW YORK. Triborough Bridge & Tunnel Auth., Administration Bldg., Randall's Island, New York 35, N Y.. Bids Feb. 24. CD 2/29, under LB;
Harris Structural Steel Co., 419 4th Ave., New York 10, N. Y., CA **$22,697,091,** Sched. III, Narrows Bridge Contr. NB-2B, Brooklyn Tower (New York).

▲ **Horn Constr. Co.,** 2174 Hewlett Ave., Merrick, N. Y., CA **$1,937,910,** Throgs Neck Bridge, Contr. No. TN-10E, Bronx and Queens Approaches viaduct roadway slabs, NEW YORK. Triborough Bridge & Tunnel Auth., Administration Bldg., Randall's Island, New York 35, N. Y. Bids Feb. 25. CD 2/29, under LB.

▲ **Tufano Contg. Corp.,** 32-17 Lawrence St., Flushing, N. Y., CA **$1,598,760,** rehabilitation of Runway 4-22 and associated taxiways, paving and utilities, LaGuardia Airport, Contr. LGA-310.009, JACKSON HEIGHTS, N. Y. Port of New York Authority, 111 8th Ave., New York 11, N. Y. Bids Mar. 10. CD 3/16, under LB.

▲† **Gelco Builders & Burjay Constr. Co.,** 413 E. 119th St., New York 35, N. Y., CA **$2,198,552,** installation central air-conditioning, U. S. Post Office and Annex, 33rd St. and 8th Ave. and U. S. Post Office, Morgan Annex, 341 9th Ave., Contr. IFB No. 00806, NEW YORK, N. Y. General Services Admin., 250 Hudson St., New York 13, N. Y. Bids Feb. 19. CD 2/25, under LB.

▲ **NEW JERSEY**—State Hy. Dpt., 1035 Parkway Ave., Trenton, Bids opened 3/29,

Conduit & Foundation Corp., 158 North 20 St., Phila., Pa., LB **$2,118,501,** (10 bidders), grading, paving 1.387 mi. Interstate Rte. 80, Sect. 2H, from Landing Rd. interchange to Howard Blvd. in Mount Arlington, Roxbury Twp., Morris Co. CD 3/15.

▲ **NEW JERSEY**—State Hy. Dpt., 1035 Parkway Ave., Trenton,

Samuel Braen's Sons, 662 Goffle Rd., Hawthorne, N. J., CA **$1,066,285,** interchanges on Rte. 208 at Summit, Russell, Cedar Hill, and Grandview Aves., boroughs of Franklin Lakes and Hawthorne, Wyckoff Twp., Bergen and Passaic Counties. Bids Mar. 2, awarded Mar. 23. CD 3/4, under LB.

▲ **PENNSYLVANIA**—Dpt. Hys., 506 North Office Bldg., Harrisburg, Bids opened 3/24,

Pa.—C. J. Langenfelder & Son, 8427 Pulaski Highway, P.O. Box 5106, Baltimore 24, Md., LB **$4,600,628** (13 bidders), 4-lane divided highway with 60 ft. wide earth divisor, 8 pairs bridges, Interstate Rte. 81, Carlisle By-pass, Cumberland Co.;

Pa.—John F. Casey Co., P.O. Box 1888, Pittsburgh 20, Pa., LB **$9,240,364** (8 bidders), 4-lane divided highway, ramps and service roads, retaining walls, drainage structures, widening existing bridge, 5 pairs bridges, 2 single bridges, 3.6 mi. Rtes. 8 and 28, Sharpsburg By-pass, Allegheny Co.;

Pa.—Ralph Myers Contg. Corp., Box 125, Pitcairn, Pa., LB **$9,240,364** (12 bidders), 6-lane divided highway and 1 bridge 0.93 mi. Interstate Rte. 70, Penn. Twp. and Monroeville, Allegheny Co.;

Pa.—J. Robert Bazley, Inc., P.O. Box 298, Pottsville, Pa., LB **$1,296,915** (13 bidders), blacktop surf. variable in width 7.4 mi. Rte. 83, Berks and Schuylkill Counties;

Pa.—Central Pennsylvania Quarry Stripping & Constr. Co., 270 S. Pine St., Hazleton, Pa., LB **$1,742,549** (5 bidders), 4-lane divided highway, traffic circle 1.94 mi., 3 pairs bridges, Interstate Rte. 81, Penn-Can Highway, North Scranton, Lackawanna Co. CD 3/2.

▲ **PENNSYLVANIA**—Dpt. Hys., 506 North Office Bldg., Harrisburg, Bids opened 3/24;

Charles A. Imel & Son, 200 Grand Ave., Clarion, Pa. LB **$1,158,787** (7 bidders), 2-lane Allegheny River Bridge, I-beam and continuous deck plate girder construction, Rte. 36 and 62, at Tionesta, 0.94 mi., Forest Co. CD 3/2.

▲ **PENNSYLVANIA**—State Hy. Dpt., 506 North Office Bldg., Harrisburg, Bids opened 3/25,

Pa.—Adam Edmiller, Inc., R.D. 4, Greensburg, Pa., LB **$3,475,964** (10 bidders), 11,718 ft. rein.-con. divided highway variable in width, 8 bridges, Interstate Rte. 70, T.R. 22, Monroeville Boro, Allegheny Co.;

Pa., Central Pa. Quarry Stripping & Constr. Co., 270 S. Pine St., Hazleton, Pa., and **Stabler Constr. Co.,** 635 Lucknow Lane, Harrisburg, Pa., LB **$3,792,901** (7 bidders), 17,003 ft. separated highways cr. aggregate base with bit. surf. 24 ft. wide, 8 bridges, Interstate Rte. 81 A, sec. Pen-Can Highway, Incl. interchange with Anthracite Expressway, Dunmore Boro, Lackawanna Co. CD 3/8.

▲ **PENNSYLVANIA**—State Rd. Dpt., 506 North Office Bldg., Harrisburg,

Pa.—Fred W. Ewing, Inc., 405 W. Main St., Corry, Pa., CA **$588,352,** 24,620 ft. cr. aggregate base with bit.

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PROJECTS COVERED

By Size

Construction projects here reported cover the United States and Canada, are of these minimum sizes or larger: water supply, earthwork, waterways $53,000; other public works $88,000; Industrial buildings $110,000; other buildings $400,000. Also Foreign projects of $1,000,000 and more in size of Interest to American contractors.

By Regions & Classes of Construction

(In order of Listing)

BIDS ASKED
LOW BIDDERS
CONTRACTS AWARDED

New England	Middle West
Middle Atlantic	West of Mississippi
South	Far West

PROPOSED WORK

Water Supply	Public Buildings
Sewers, Waste Disposal	Mass Housing
Bridges	Commercial Buildings
Streets & Roads	Industrial Buildings
Earthwork, Waterways	Unclassified

In These Stages

PROPOSED WORK: Before and including appointment of engineers or architects.
BIDS ASKED: BA (new announcements only). For full calendar, see also preceding issues.
SOON LETS CONTRACT: SLC
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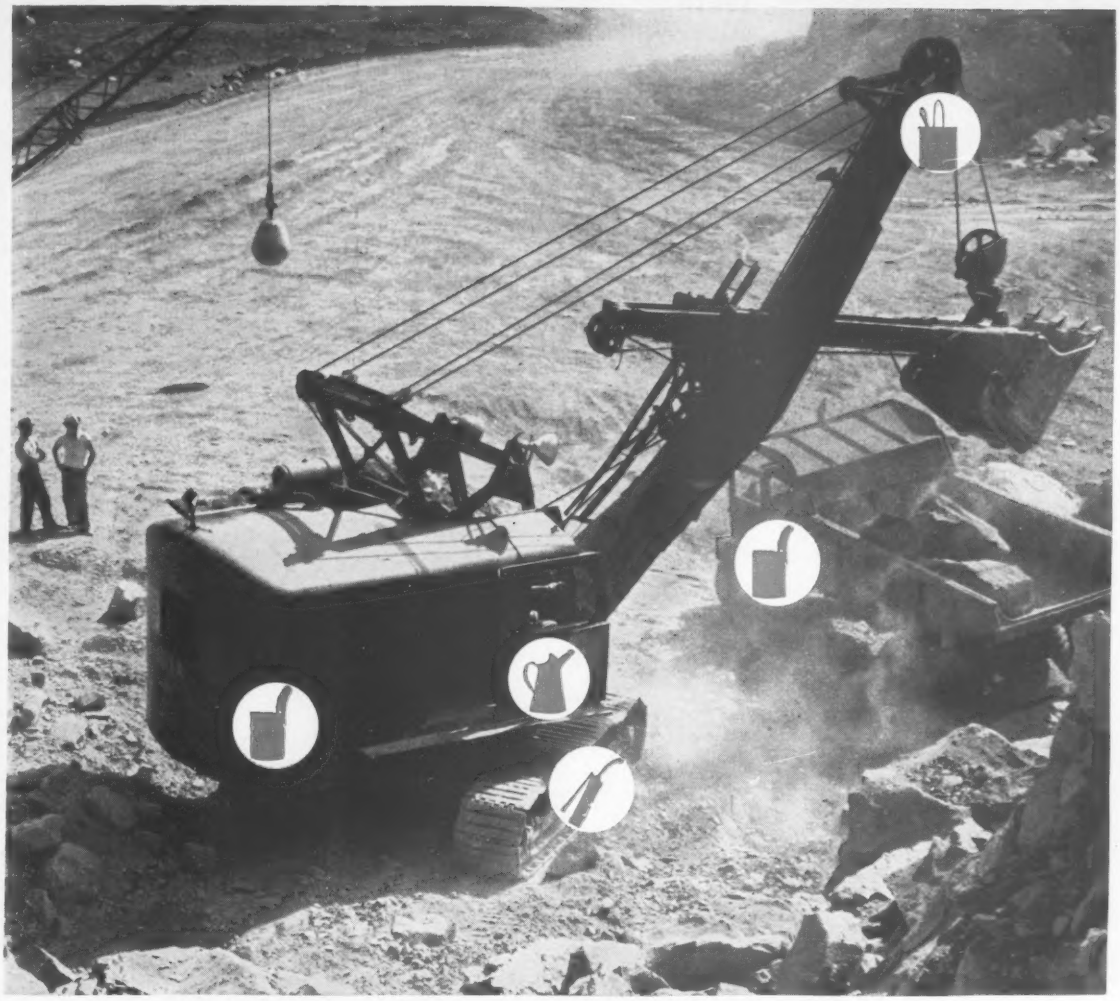

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surf. 20 ft. wide, 1 alternate superstructure bridge, L.R. 42010 (4), Bradford Twp., McKean Co.;

Pa.—**A. E. Oblock, Unity**, Pittsburgh 35, Pa., CA **$989,260**, 34,253 ft. cr. aggregate base highway with bit. surf. 18 ft. wide, 2 bridges, T.R. 949, Ridgway and Spring Creek Twps., Elk Co. Bids Mar. 11. CD 3/15, under LB.

▲ **MARYLAND**—State Rds. Comn., 300 W. Preston St., Baltimore, Zone 3, Bids opened 3/29,

Md.—**S. J. Groves & Sons**, Camp Hill, Pa., LB **$2,142,282**, (9 bidders), grade, drain, surf. 3.59 mi. US 40 from top of Martin Mountain, westerly, A-464-2-620, Allegany Co.,

Md.—**Eugene Chaney**, Upper Marlboro, Md., LB **$1,151,621**, (9 bidders), grading, paving, surf. 5.6 mi. Rte. 416 incl. 4 span steel beam bridge near Waysons Corner, AA 498-1-520-AA 497-4-520, AA-498-3-520 and C-228-1-520, Anne Arundel and Calvert Counties. CD 3/15.

▲ **C. J. Langenfelder & Son**, 8427 Pulaski Hy., Baltimore 21, Md., CA **$3,240,439** on alternates, Jones Falls Expressway, 29th St. to Union Ave. incl. section of Keswick Rd. Bridge, BALTIMORE, MD. City, Bureau Hys., 303 Municipal Bldg., Baltimore 2, Md. Bids Feb. 24. CD 2/26, under LB.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **N. K. Winston-Muss Co.**, 22 W 48th St, New York, N Y, CA Est **$12,000,000**, Walt Whitman SHOPPING CENTER, 54 STORES, incl 2 story, bsmnt. DEPARTMENT STORE for Abraham & Straus, Jericho Turnpike and Rte. 110, HUNTINGTON, N. Y. Norman K. Winston & David Muss, 22 W. 48th St., New York, N. Y. Welton Becket, 5667 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles 36, Calif., archt. CD 8/29/56.

▲ **Blitman Constr. Corp.**, 101 Park Ave., New York, N. Y., CA Est. **$3,500,000**, six 2 story APARTMENTS, Fire Island, opposite SAYVILLE, N. Y. Island Pines Apartments, c/o Bertram Lee Winston, archt., 832 Bedford St., Stamford, Conn.

▲ **Wark & Co.**, 1920 Sansom St., Phila., Pa., CA **$4,000,000**, OFFICE and LABORATORY BLDG., CENTER SQUARE, PA. Remington Rand Univac Division Sperry Rand Corp., 19 and Allegheny Ave., Phila. Pa. Bids Mar. 16. CD 3/8.

▲ **Whiting-Turner Contg. Co.**, 6229 Charles St., Baltimore, Md., CA boiler house, incinerator bldg., tank farm and pump house and fdn. for SUPER PROCESS BLDG., BALTIMORE, MD. Chevrolet Div. of General Motors, 5044 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit, Mich. Albert Kahn Associated Architects & Engineers, Inc., New Center Bldg., Detroit, Mich., archt.-engr. CD 7/17.

▲ **Land & Development Co.**, 7705 Georgia Ave. N. W., Wash., D. C., Owner Builds, **$4,500,000**, APARTMENT PROJECT, Riverdale Rd. and Baltimore-Washington Expressway, RIVERDALE, MD. Morton W. Noble, 2000 P St. N. W., Wash., D. C., archt.

SOUTH

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **Oleans Levee Dist.**, Royal and Conti Sts., New Orleans, La., rejected bids Mar. 4, 2,800,000 cu. yd. hydraulic fill in Lake Pontchartrain, NEW ORLEANS, LA. LB **$2,091,320.** Will re-advertise. CD 3/14, under LB.

▲ **NORTH CAROLINA**—State Hy. Comn., Raleigh, Bids opened 3/29,

N. C.—**Asheville Contg. Co.**, London Rd., Biltmore, N. C. and **Davie Contractors, Inc.**, Mocksville, N. C., LB **$846,484**, CABC, BST, b. conc. binder and surf. 8.66 mi. relocating US 421 from point on US 601 approx. 1.07 mi. south of Yadkinville, easterly to point approx. 3,000 ft. west of Forsyth Co. Line and connection to existing US 421 at End of Project, Proj. 8.17942 8.28556, SF 172(107) S-1301(1) Yadkin Co.;

N. C.—**C. C. Mangum, Inc.**, 3016 Hillsboro St., Raleigh, N. C. LB **$792,394**, grading 7.37 mi. Interstate Rte. 95 from point just south of US Rte. 158, north to Virginia State Line, Proj. 811709, I-955-3 (3)174, Halifax and Northampton Counties;

N. C.—**William B. Dillard Constr. Co.**, Sylva, N. C., LB **$516,713**, CABC, b. conc. binder, surf. and structures 2.335 mi. relocating NC 273 from Catawba St., Belmont, north to point on NC 273 near Mt. Holly, Proj. 8.16303, US 1224(2) S-1224(1), Gaston Co.;

N. C.—**C. G. Tate Constr. Co.**, Hy. 29 N., Concord, N. C., and **Midstate Contractors, Inc.**, Hickory, N. C., LB **$1,697,551**, fine grading SABC, b. conc. binder and surf. 9.14 mi. surf. Interstate Rte. 85 between South Carolina State Line and point south of Kings Mt., Proj. 8.18267, I-85-1(110), Cleveland and Gaston Counties;

▲ **FLORIDA**—State Rd. Dpt., Room 228, Holland Bldg., Tallahassee, Bids opened 3/29,

Fla.—**Hubbard Constr. Co.**, Box 7217, Orlando, Fla., LB **$197,661**, (10 bidders), 6½ in. limerock base Type II b. conc. surf. course 5.564 mi. SR S-478, Fed. Aid Projs. Nos. S-345 (2) and S-523 (1), Jobs Nos. 18520-3601 and 18520-3602, Sumter Co.; LB **$1,956,564**, (19 bidders), 4-lane divided facility 10½ in. limerock base, Type I, b. conc. surf. course with binder course and surf. tr. 7.146 mi. SR 500, State Proj. Jobs Nos. 75020-3109 and 11010-3111, Orange and Lake Counties;

Fla.—**Ewell Engineering & Constr. Co.**, Lakeland, Fla., LB **$1,303,489**, (6 bidders), 4-lane divided, 8½ in. limerock base Type 1-B surf. tr., binder course and Type I b. conc. surf. course 2-lane roadway, Type 1 b. conc. surf. course leveling course and binder course, 8.095 mi. SR 600, State Proj. Job No. 16020-3113, Polk Co.;

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **John McShain, Inc.**, 3501 Sinclair Lane, Baltimore, Md., CA **$4,384,000**, 4 APARTMENT BLDGS. and 2 RESIDENCE HALL addns. at West Virginia University, MORGANTOWN, W. VA. West Virginia Bd. Governors, Morgantown, W. Va. Bids Mar. 22. CD 2/10.

▲† **Paul Tishman Co., Inc.**, 21 East 70 St., New York, N. Y., CA **$2,914,987**, ACADEMIC BLDG., Armed Forces Staff College, Naval Base, NBy 2456, Spec. 2456/59, NORFOLK, VA. Dist. P. Wks. Office, 5th Naval Dist., U. S. Naval Station, Norfolk, Va. Bids Mar. 15, awarded Mar. 24. CD 3/17, under LB.

▲† **Federal Prison Industries, Inc.**, First and Indiana Aves. N. W., Wash., D. C., Own Forces, **$2,500,000**, 180,000 sq. ft. TEXTILE MFG. PLANT, Federal Penitentiary, ATLANTA, GA. CD 1/26.

MIDDLE WEST

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

▲ **O., Toledo**—DOCKFRONT—BA 4/19—Toledo-Lucas Co. Port Auth., 241 Superior St., lengthening dockfront from 800 ft. to 2,500 ft. $2,700,000. Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Quade & Douglas, 165 Broadway, New York 6, N. Y., engrs. CD 1/22.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **O., Lebanon**—CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION—BA 4/26—Dpt. P. Wks., State Depts. Bldg., Columbus, Zone 15, Phase III Lebanon Correctional Institution, for Dept. Mental Hygiene & Correction, $5,000,000. Plans deposit $100 for general contract, $20 for mechanical contract. Bellman, Gillett & Richards, 1600 Madison Ave., Toledo, Zone 2, archts. CD 8/6.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲ **Foley Bros., Inc.**, New York Bldg., St. Paul, Minn., LB **$5,584,334**, 3,300,000 bu. grain elevator, TOLEDO, O. Toledo Lucas County Port Authority, 241 Superior St., Toledo 4, O. Bids Mar. 28. CD 2/10.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Imperial Homes, Inc.**, Junefield Dr., Greenhills, O. Own Forces, **$3,705,910**, 218 brick, bsmntless HOUSES, Chesterdale Rd., CINCINNATI, O. J. S. Wald & Assocs., North Bend Rd., Cincinnati, O., engrs.

▲ **Myers Y. Cooper Co.**, 2652 Erie Ave., Cincinnati, O., Own Forces, **$5,000,000**, 142 HOMES, Asbury and Woodruff Rds., CINCINNATI, O. Nunlist & Frolicher, Tri-State Bldg., Cincinnati, O., engrs.

▲ **Prestige Homes, Inc.**, c/o Floyd Putnam, 643 E. Lorain Rd., Oberlin, O., Owner Builds, **$4,000,000**, 264 HOMES, Rte. 10, E. College St., Willowbrook Farms, OBERLIN, O. CD 2/12.

▲ **R. S. Ursprung Co.**, Hanna Bldg. Annex, Cleveland 15, O. LB **$2,250,000** (5 bidders), St. Anthony of Padua HIGH SCHOOL; LB **$750,000** (5 bidders), St. Anthony of Padua ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, PARMA, O. Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, 1027 Superior Ave., Cleveland 14, O. Bids Mar. 22. CD 3/22.

▲ **Gilbane Constr. Co.**, 90 Calverly St., Providence, R. I. CA Est. **$2,500,000**, CLASSROOM, LIBRARY AND MONASTERY, STEUBENVILLE, O. Steubenville College, Steubenville, O. Awarded Mar. 7. CD 10/9.

▲ **Crane Constr. Co.**, 201 E. Walton St., Chicago 11, Ill., CA **$2,000,000**, 21 story APARTMENT, corner Chestnut and DeWitt Sts., CHICAGO, ILL. Ray Sher, 201 E. Walton St., Chicago 11, Ill. Hirschfeld & Pawlan, 327 S. LaSalle St., Chicago 4, Ill., archts CD 9/4/52.

▲ **John C. Long, Inc.**, 600 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago 6, Ill., CA **$2,875,000**, 2 story, 132 x 403 ft. and 68 x 133 ft. BARRACKS, Buckley Rd. near Green Bay Rd., GREAT LAKES, ILL. Dist. P. Wks. Office, Bldg. 1-A, Great Lakes, Ill. Bids Mar. 9. CD 3/22, under LB.

▲ **Great Western Contg. Co.**, 33 N. Wabash Ave., Chicago 2, Ill., CA **$2,000,000**, part 1 and 2 story RESIDENCE HALL, CLASSROOMS, GYMNASIUM, LAKE FOREST, ILL. Barat College, 700 E. Westleigh Rd., Lake Forest, Ill. Loebl, Schlossman & Bennett, 333 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago 1, Ill., archts. Awarded Mar. 25. CD 3/21/58.

MISSISSIPPI TO ROCKIES

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

▲† **Kansas**—BA 4/19—U. S. Eng., 1800 Federal Office Bldg., Kansas City 6, Mo., levees, channels, pumping plants and appurtenances for Marais des Cygnes River and Wilson Creek, Stage II, near Ottawa, CIVENG-23-028-60-87. $2,500,000. Plans deposit $40. CD 3/16.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Minn., Hutchinson**—SCHOOL—BA 4/20—Bd. Educ. Independent School Dist. No. 423, constr. high school. $2,000,000. Bissell & Belair, 1111 Nicollet Ave., Minneapolis, archts. CD 10/14.

▲† **Tex., Fort Hood**—HOUSING UNITS—BA About 4/27—U. S. Eng., Box 1229, Galveston, 800 unit Capehart housing, ENG-41-243-60-25. Over $10,000,000. CD 9/2.

▲ **Tex., Houston**—HOSPITAL—BA 4/27—City of Houston, City Hall, and Harris County, Courthouse, Houston, City-County Charity Hospital, In Medical Center, $9,200,000. Finn, Maddox & Johnson, 1055 Banker Mortgage Bldg., and 3501 Buffalo Dr., archts. Rob. J.

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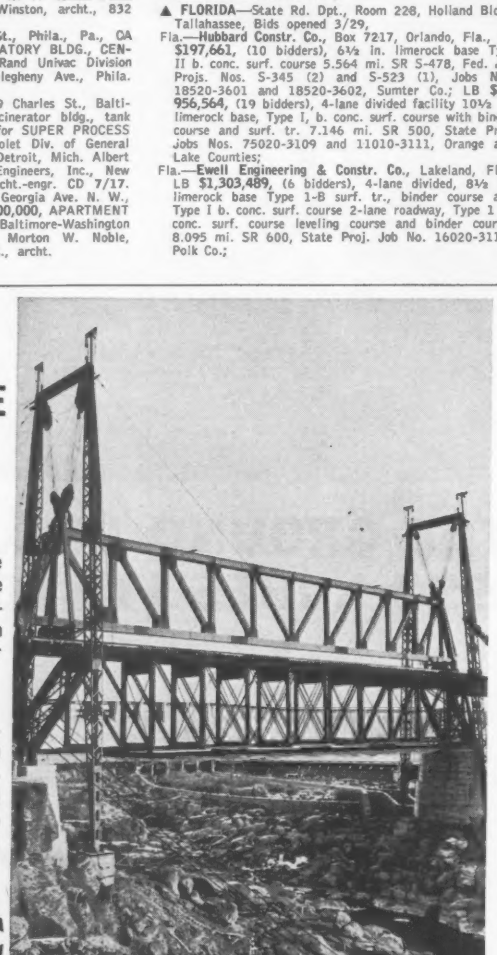

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Cummins, Bankers Mortgage Bldg., and Reginald F. Taylor, 5009 Caroline St., engrs. CD 3/4.

▲ **Tex., Orange**—PLANT—Bids Asked—Firestone Tire & Rubber Co., 1200 Firestone Parkway., Akron, O., synthetic Rubber manufacturing plant, near here $8,000,000, CD 2/2/59.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Borchman Sons Co.,** 4601 Douglas St., Omaha, Neb., LB **$1,758,867** (5 bidders), general contract 4 story HOSPITAL, COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA. Jennie Edmundson Memorial Hospital Bd., Oak and Pierce Sts., Council Bluffs, Iowa. Bids Mar. 17. CD 3/15;
J. J. Hanighen Co., 945 N. 20 St., Council Bluffs, Iowa, LB **$1,046,355** (3 bidders), mechanical contract for hospital (Council Bluffs, Iowa).

▲ **Conner Bros. Constr. Co.,** 615 E. Washington St., Sigourney, Iowa, CA Est. **$3,000,000,** with equipment, 1 story, 50,000 sq. ft. universal joints and automotive farm and road equipment parts PLANT, 5,000 sq. ft. OFFICE area, FAIRFIELD, IOWA. Rockwell-Standard Corp., 843 4th Ave., Coraopolis, Pa. CD 1/22.

▲ **MacDonald Constr. Co.,** 1310 S. Grand Blvd., St. Louis 4, Mo., CA **$2,874,600** (11 bidders), 5 levels, 218 x 218 ft. (two levels below grade), stone, masonry blocks, glass, concrete, steel, etc., John Olin LIBRARY, ST. LOUIS, MO. Washington University, Lindell and Skinker Blvds., St. Louis 30, Mo. Bids Mar. 17. CD 2/24.

▲ **Lake Air Development Co., Arthur Temple, Jr.,** Diboll, and **Chas. L. Sligh, Lumberman, Developer,** Waco, Tex., Owners Build, **$2,600,000,** SHOPPING CENTER; **$65,000,** site earthwork; **$106,400,** hard-paved area and auto center, WACO, TEX. Grand total $2,771,400. CD 12/3/59.

FAR WEST

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

▲† **Oregon and Washington**—BA 4/22—U. S. Eng., Pittock Block, Portland, Ore., repair south jetty at mouth of Columbia River, CIVENG-35-026-60-160, $2,000,000. Plans deposit $1. CD 10/1.

▲ **Ore., Eugene**—BA About 5/27—Eugene Water & Electric Bd., City Hall, Carmen Smith Hydro Electric Project, Total est. $25,000,000. Cornell, Howland, Hayes & Merryfield, Corvallis, 1600 Western Ave., Corvallis, Ore., consult. engrs. Bechtel Corp., 612 S. Flower St., Los Angeles, Calif., engrs CD 12/11.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲† **Manson-Osberg Constr. Co.,** 1132 N. 128th St., Seattle 33, Wash., CA **$3,216,420** communication facilities at Duncan Canal Air Force Station, Inv. 60-29, ALASKA. U. S. Eng., 1519 S. Alaskan Way, Seattle 4, Wash. Bids Mar. 15, CD 3/17, under LB;
Gaasland Co., Inc., 1155 Ellis, Bellingham, Wash., CA **$1,105,392** communication facilities at Smugglers Cove Air Force Station, Inv. 60-29 (Alaska.).

▲ **CALIFORNIA**—State Div. Hys., 1120 N. St., Sacramento, Bids opened 3/30,
Gordon H. Ball & Gordon H. Ball, Inc., 300 Camille Ave., Danville, Calif., LB **$3,812,194,** (9 bidders), 4.4 mi. 6 and 8 lane freeway between Sign Rte. 12 near Cordelia and 0.3 mi. east of Chadbourne Rd. west of Fairfield on US Hy. 40 and 1 mi. 4 lane divided hy. on Sign Rte. 21 from US 40 to Cordelia incl. 10 bridges. X-SOL-7, 74, H, B, C, Solano Co. CD 2/17.

▲ **CALIFORNIA**—State Div. Hys., 120 S. Spring St., Los Angeles,
Griffith Co., 106 South Broadway, Los Angeles, Calif., CA **$8,737,889,** constr. 1.1 mi. 8 lane freeway viaduct on Santa Monica Freeway, combination rein.-con. and structural steel (portions) between 8th St. and Hooper Ave., Los Angeles, VII-L.A.-173-LAJV, Los Angeles Co. Bids Mar. 10. CD 3/16, under LB.

▲ **CALIFORNIA**—State Div. Hys., 1120 N St., Sacramento,
Guy F. Atkinson Co., 10 West Orange Ave., South San Francisco, Calif., CA **$4,109,789,** grading, paving 2.1 mi. eight lane MacArthur Freeway US 50 between San Pablo and Grand Ave. in Oakland, incl. fill for elevated freeway section, six crossing or interchange structures, nineteen retaining walls, IV-ALA-50ak, Alameda Co. Bids Mar. 16. CD 3/18, under LB.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲† **Raber-Kef, Inc., and B-E-C-K Constructors,** 3647 Stone Way, Seattle 3, Wash., CA **$3,853,000,** electronic aids to navigation station at St. Paul and Attu Islands and monitor facilities on Adak Island, Inv. 17-18-60, ALASKA. P. Wks. Office, 17th Coast Guard Dist., Box 2631, Juneau, Alaska. Bids Mar. 8. CD 3/14, under LB;
American Service, Inc., Box 915, Anchorage, Alaska, CA **$1,597,000,** navigation-aid station at Sitkinak (Alaska).

▲ **Marvin E. Collins Co.,** 5635 San Diego St., El Cerrito, Calif., CA **$7,000,000,** SHOPPING CENTER, on 40 acre site to incl. Professional Bldg., Fraternal Bldg., Apartments, Bowling Alley, Recreation Center, ANTIOCH, CALIF. Delta Fair, Antioch, Calif. CD 12/8.

▲ **Johnson, Drake & Piper** and **M. J. Brock & Sons,** 10642 Downey Ave., Downey, Calif. (joint venture), LB **$13,750,000,** (7 bidders), BARRINGTON PLAZA, LOS ANGELES, CALIF. B. C. Deane Co., c/o Daniel, Mann, Johnson & Mendenhall, archts.-engrs., 3325 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. Bids Mar. 25. CD 3/18.

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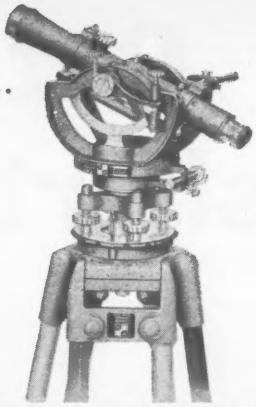

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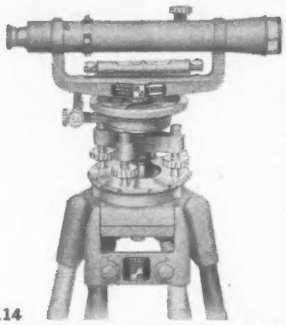

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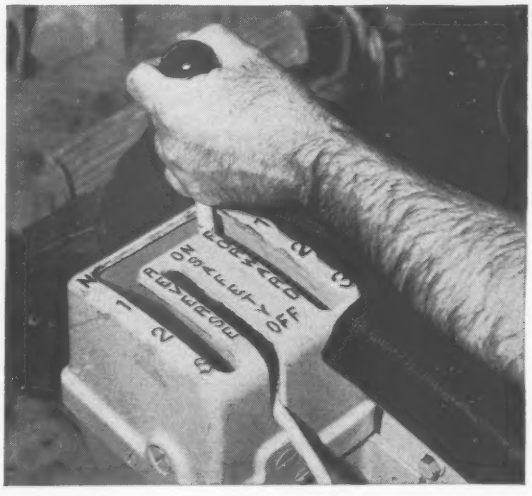

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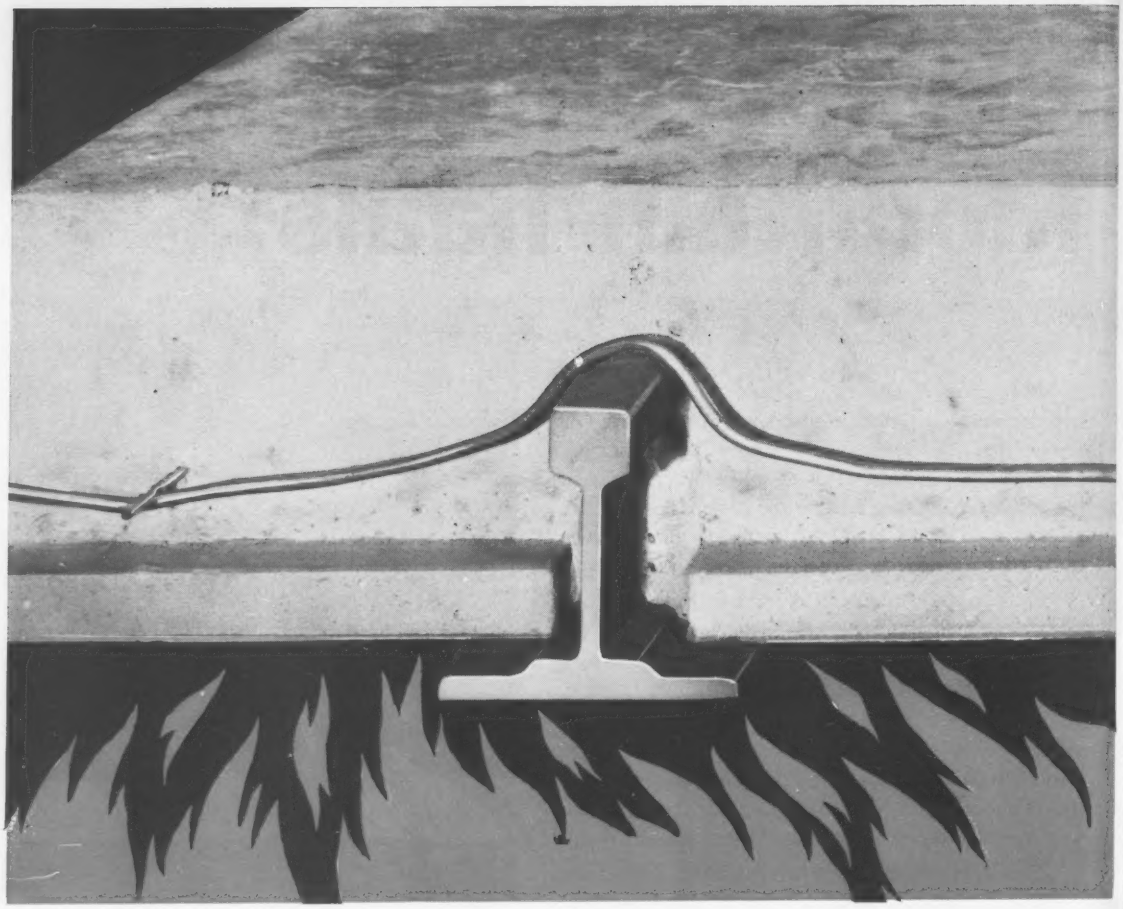

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▲ **Diversified Builders,** 6855 E. Rosecrans Blvd., Paramount, Calif., CA **$5,000,000,** PLANT for mfg. white cement at Crestmore, near RIVERSIDE, CALIF. Riverside Cement Co., 621 S. Hope St., Los Angeles, Calif.

CANADA

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Elder Mines & Developments Ltd.,** 25 Adelaide St. W., Toronto, Ont., CA Est. **$2,500,000,** 250,000 sq. ft. brick, aluminum siding PLANT, BRAMPTON, ONT. American Motors (Canada) Ltd., 2951 Danforth Ave., Toronto, Ont. Awarded Mar. 23. CD 3/28.

▲ **Procon (Canada) Ltd.,** 40 Advance St., Toronto, Ont., CA **$2,700,000,** two processing units PLATFORMERS AND MIDDLE DISTILLATE UNIFORMER, REGINA, SASK. Consumers Cooperative Refineries, Ltd., 9th N St. Regina, Sask. Awarded Mar. 21. CD 10/22.

PUERTO RICO

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Metropolitan Builders, Inc.,** 1501 Ashford Ave., San Juan, Puerto Rico, CA Est. **$3,400,000,** design and construct 16 story, 78 unit APARTMENT, COMMERCIAL, parking, SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO. Park Realty Corp., 1501 Ashford Ave., San Juan, Puerto Rico.

LATIN AMERICA

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

▲ **Colombia**—Bids Asked—Empresa de Energia Electrica de Bogota, earthfill dam lined diversion tunnel, Tomine River. OLAP-Ingenieria, Apartado Aereo 5099, Bogota, consult. engrs. Contractors interested in project should send full particulars of their experience to consulting engineers. Specifications available Apr. 1.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Patterson-Emerson-Comstock, Inc.,** 313 E. Carson St., Pittsburgh, Pa., U. S. A., CA Total cost 5 year program **$84,000,000,** design and construct STEEL MILL, BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA. Corporacion Interamericana de Aceros, S. A. (International Steel Corp. S. A.).

U. S. POSSESSIONS

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—LB & CA

▲† **Foster Constr. Co. & Williams Bros.,** National Bank of Tulsa Bldg., Tulsa, Okla., CA **$6,353,000,** wid'n. Empire Reach, Panama Canal, CANAL ZONE. Panama Canal Co., Canal Zone, Balboa Heights, Canal Zone. Bids Feb. 29 CD 3/2, under LB.

FOREIGN

▲ **Philippine Islands**—BA 4/22—National Power Corp., Manila, dam-multi-purpose power, water, irrigation, flood control, Rizal Province, Manila. $54,000,000. CD 12/22/58.

▲ **Greece**—AIRFIELD—BA 6/1—General Air Staff, Directorate of Public Works, 9 Lycurgus St., Athens, airfield (NATO project) $3,200,000.

BUILDINGS—BA

▲ **Australia** — TURBO-GENERATOR — BA 6/20—Electricity Comn. of New South Wales, Commercial Manager & Secretary, 15 Castlereagh St., Sydney, N.S.W., supply and erection of one 275 megawatt turbo-generator with associated ancilliary plant. for Vales Point Power Station on shores of Lake Macquarie, Spec. 1005. $6,750,000. Plans deposit $225.

▲ **Australia**—RE-HEAT BOILER—BA 7/4—Electricity Comn. of New South Wales, Commercial Manager & Secretary, 15 Castlereagh St., Sydney, N.S.W., supply and erection one 275 megawatt semioutdoor type re-heat boiler with associated ancilliary plant and bldg. works at Vales Point Power Station on shores of Lake Macquarie, Spec. 1004. $9,000,000. Plans deposit $225.

AMERICANS ABROAD

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION—BA

▲ **Vinnell Corp. of California,** 1145 Westminster Ave., Alhambra, Calif., U. S. A., CA Est. **$2,748,000,** air conditioned Central Government Building, SEOUL, KOREA. South Korean Economic Bd., Seoul, Korea. Awarded Mar. 2.

BUILDINGS—LB & CA

▲ **Foster Wheeler Ltd.,** 3 Ixworth Pl., London SW 3, England, and Societe Fives-Penhoet, Paris, France, CA Est. **$3,000,000,** 20,000 bbl. per day REFINERY and TERMINAL for Dansk Veedol, KALUNDBORG, DENMARK. Tidewater Oil Co., 4201 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles 5, Calif., U. S. A. CD 9/22.

PROPOSED PROJECTS

WATER SUPPLY

▲ **Alabama**—Sand Mountain Water Co., Box 29, Fort Payne, water lines, DeKalb and Jackson Counties. **$2,000,000.** Ladd Engineering Co., P.O. Box 29, Fort Payne, consult. engr.

▲ **Va., Charlottesville**—City, City Hall, water storage dam, south fork Rivanna River. **$3,150,000.** Polgaze & Basenberg, 812 S. 27 St., Birmingham, Ala., consult. engrs.; water transmission lines, **$200,000;** water treatment plant, **$500,000.**

▲ **Va., Norfolk**—City, Dpt. P. Wks. City Hall, voted bonds Mar. 15, water distr. lines extension **$3,150,000;** reservoir and dam, Western Branch Nansemond River, **$3,000,000;** unit, Moores Bridge Water Filtration Plant, **$1,500,000.** CD 2/5.

SEWERS, WASTE DISPOSAL

▲ **Ind., Auburn**—City, City Hall, sewerage sys. **$2,000,000.** Boyd Phelps, Inc., 711 K of P Bldg., Indianapolis, consult. engr.

▲ **Pa., Johnstown**—Highland Sewer & Water Auth., 2748 Bedford St., 236,495 ft. sewer 7 sewage lift stations 1.5 mgd filter sewage treatment plant to service Geistown Boro, Richland and Stonycreek Twps. To go ahead 1960. **$3,036,784.**

BRIDGES

▲ **NEW YORK**—State Dpt. Wks., State Office Bldg., Albany,
New York Co.—Franklin Delano Roosevelt Dr., Contr. 48, 34th St. overpass 0.7 mi. E. 30th St. to 40th St. **$6,000,000.** To go ahead in 1960.

▲ **Va., Richmond**—City, Dpt. P. Wks., 217 Governor, 9th St. Bridge over James River, **$6,500,000.**

STREETS AND ROADS

▲ **NEW HAMPSHIRE**—Dpt. P. Wks. & Hys., Concord,
Salem-Windham-Derry-Londonderry—13 mi. 4-lane highways, Proj. I-03-1 (33) 3. **$10,000,000.** Clarkeson Engineering Co., 285 Columbus Ave., Boston 16, Mass., consult. engr.

▲ **New York**—President Queens Boro, Boro Hall, Kew Gardens,
Brooklyn-Queens Expressway, Contrs. 8 & 11, structures and 0.4 mi. paving Woodside Ave. to 64th St. **$5,000,000.** To go ahead late 1960.
Brooklyn-Queens Expressway, Long Island R.R. bridge 0.03 mi. **$1,400,000.** To go ahead Spring 1960.
Brooklyn-Queens Expressway, Contrs. 12 & 13, structures and 0.4 mi. paving 64th St. to 58th Pl., **$1,200,000,** Queens Boro. To go ahead 1961.

▲ **NEW YORK**—State Dpt. P. Wks., State Office Bldg., Albany,
Bronx Co.—Boston Rd. imprvt.; Mace Ave. to New England Thruway 2.6 mi. **$25,600,000.** Clarke & Rapuano, 830 Third Ave., New York, Zone 23, engrs. To go ahead in 1964. CD 5/21/45, under N. Y., New York.

▲ **NEW YORK**—State Dpt. P. Wks., State Office Bldg., Albany,
Bronx Co.—Sheridan Expressway extension: Cross-Bronx Expressway to Mace Ave. 2 mi. **$9,200,000.** To go ahead in 1963,
Sheridan Expressway: Contr. 2, Lowell St. to Cross-Bronx Expressway 1 mi., **$5,600,000,** To go ahead in 1960,
Sheridan Expressway: Contr. 3, landscaping, **$79,000,** To go ahead in 1962. Clarke & Rapuano, 830 Third Ave., New York, Zone 23, engrs. CD 2/18/55.

▲ **NEW YORK**—State Dpt. P. Wks., State Office Bldg., Albany,
New York Co.—Harlem River Drive: paving, viaduct and ramps, E. 155 St. to E. 168 St., **$6,000,000,** To go ahead in 1961,
Harlem River Drive: Contr. 132-B, paving E. 132 St. to E. 142 St. to incl. vehicular bridges at 135th and 139th Sts., pedestrian overpass at 142 St., **$2,350,000,** To go ahead Spring 1960,
Harlem River Drive: Contr. 132-D, reconstr. of parks and playgrounds, E. 151 St. to E. 155 St. **$137,000,** To go ahead in Summer 1960. CD 8/17/45, under N. Y., New York.

▲ **NEW YORK**—State Dpt. Wks., State Office Bldg., Albany,
New York Co.—Mid-Manhattan Expressway: Miller Hy., Lincoln Tunnel to F. D. R. Drive and Queens Midtown Tunnel 2.6 mi. **$51,700,000.** Andrews & Clark, 305 E. 63rd St., New York, Zone 21, engrs. To go ahead in 1961-62-63. CD 1/20/55, under N. Y., New York.

▲ **PENNSYLVANIA**—State Hy. Dpt., 506 North Office Bldg., Harrisburg,
Armstrong Co.—Kittanning By-pass for Rte. 28 and 422, **$8,000,000.**
Butler Co.—North-South By-pass for Butler Rte. 8 (separate from east-west by-pass Rte. 422), **$1,500,000.**
Centre Co.—reconstruction 15 mi. Rte. 322 between Phillipsburg and Martha Furnace, **$1,200,000.**
Indiania Co.—Indian Pa. by-pass Rte. 422, **$5,000,000.**
Lebanon Co.—East-west Lebanon By-pass for Rte. 422, **$6,000,000.**
By-pass for Rte. 322 east-west around community of Cornwall boro, **$2,000,000.**
Luzerne Co.—reconstruction Rte. 309 between Luzerne Boro and proposed Anthracite Expressway (Rte. 1005), **$5,000,000.**
Monroe Co.—reconstruction 5 mi. Rte. 12 between Saylorsburg and Snydersville, **$4,500,000.**
reconstruction about 3 mi. Rte. 12, between Snydersville and Bartonsville, **$3,000,000.** F. S. Poorman, c/o owner, engr.

▲ **PENNSYLVANIA**—State Hy. Dpt., 506 North Office Bldg., Harrisburg,
Clinton and Lycoming Counties—reconstruction about 4 mi. U. S. Rte. 220 between Avis and Jersey Shore, **$2,750,000.**
Crawford and Venango Counties—reconstruction about 11 mi. U. S. Rte. 322 between Wyattsville and Cochranton, **$2,200,000.**
Elk Co.—reconstruction about 11 mi. U. S. Rte. 219 between Ridgeway and Challenge, **$1,500,000.** F. S. Poorman, c/o owner, engr.

EARTHWORK, WATERWAYS

▲ **Quebec**—Quebec Hydro-Electric Comn., 107 Craig St. W., Montreal, dam to control waters of Riviere des Prairies, between Ile Bizard and Montreal Island, Montreal, **$2,000,000.** Gabriel Rousseau, c/o owner, ch. engr.

PUERTO RICO

▲ **Puerto Rico**—HOTEL, etc.—Resorts International, Inc., 855 6th Ave., New York, N. Y., U. S. A., 14 story hotel, swimming pool. **$12,000,000.**

FOREIGN

▲ **East—Germany**—P. Wks. Ministry, East-Berlin, 16 mi. speedway with two lanes of 22 ft. each, Rostock. **$28,000,000.**

▲ **Hungary**—OIL PIPE LINE—Hungarian State Oil Agency, Budapest, 78 mi. 20 in. oil pipe line, Szazhalombatta. **$8,700,000.**

AMERICANS ABROAD

▲ **Philippine Islands, Manila**—Manila Electric Co., sub General Public Utilities Co., 67 Broad St., New York, N. Y., U.S.A., 60,000 kw. steam powered electric generating unit, at Rockwell Station. **$9,700,000.**

▲ **West Germany, Berlin** — HOUSING, etc. — Geminnutzige Heimstatten-AG, Knobelsdorffstr. 95, Berlin, plans by Walter Gropius, 63 Brattle St., Cambridge 38, Mass., U. S. A., 15,000 unit housing development incl. school, market, churches. **$100,000,000.**

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

▲ **Ariz., Tucson**—HIGH SCHOOL—Bd. Educ., City Hall, plans by Gordon M. Luepke, 232 E. 6 St., high school, $5,000,000. CD 3/4.

▲ **Calif., San Diego**—SCHOOLS—San Diego Unified School Dist., 4100 Normal St., **$44,927,000** bond election June 7, schools.

▲ **Colo., Pueblo**—HOUSING—Pueblo Public Housing Auth., Plans by Kenneth J. Stines, 222 S. Victoria Ave., public housing, **$2,000,000.** Bids in Summer. CD 5/20.

▲† **Ky., Paradise**—STEAM PLANT—Tennessee Valley Authority, New Sprankles Bldg., Knoxville, Tenn., plans by Vincent G. Kling, 917 Corinthian Ave., Phila. 30, Pa. Paradise steam plant, **$100,000,000.** CD 10/6.

▲ **Minn., Winona**—COMMUNITY HOSPITAL—Community Memorial Hospital, c/o Schmidt, Garden & Eriksen, archts.-engrs., 104 South Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill., 90,000 sq. ft. community hospital, east shore of Lake Winona. **$3,500,000.** CD 12/5/57.

▲ **N. J., Cranford**—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ. Twp. of Cranford, defeated referendum on bonds and project Mar. 15, 2 story high school, Orange Ave. **$3,772,000.** Epple & Seaman, 901 Broad St., Newark, archts. CD 1/27.

▲ **N. J., Point Pleasant**—HIGH SCHOOL—Bd Educ., defeated project and bonds submitted to referendum Mar. 15, high school, **$2,800,000.** Boyken & Moss, 90 Bayard St., New Brunswick, archts. CD 2/15.

▲ **N. Y., Cheektowaga**—SCHOOL—Union Free School Dist., plans by Foit & Baschnagel, 250 Delaware Ave., Buffalo, Junior-Senior High School. **$2,600,000.**

▲ **N. Y., Mount Vernon**—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ., 257 4th Ave., plans by Sherwood, Milis & Smith, 65 Broad St., Stanford, Conn., high school. **$7,200,000.** CD 12/21.

▲ **N. Y., New York**—BUS STATION—Port of New York Authority, III 8th Ave., New York 11, 3 level bus station, over George Washington Bridge Expressway, Fort Washington and Wadsworth Aves. **$13,000,000.** CD 2/20/57.

▲ **N. Y., North Tonawanda**—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ., 236 Goundry St., plans by Pfohl, Stoll & Roberts, 185 Niagara St., Buffalo, high school. **$3,850,000.** Bids by Fall. CD 1/20.

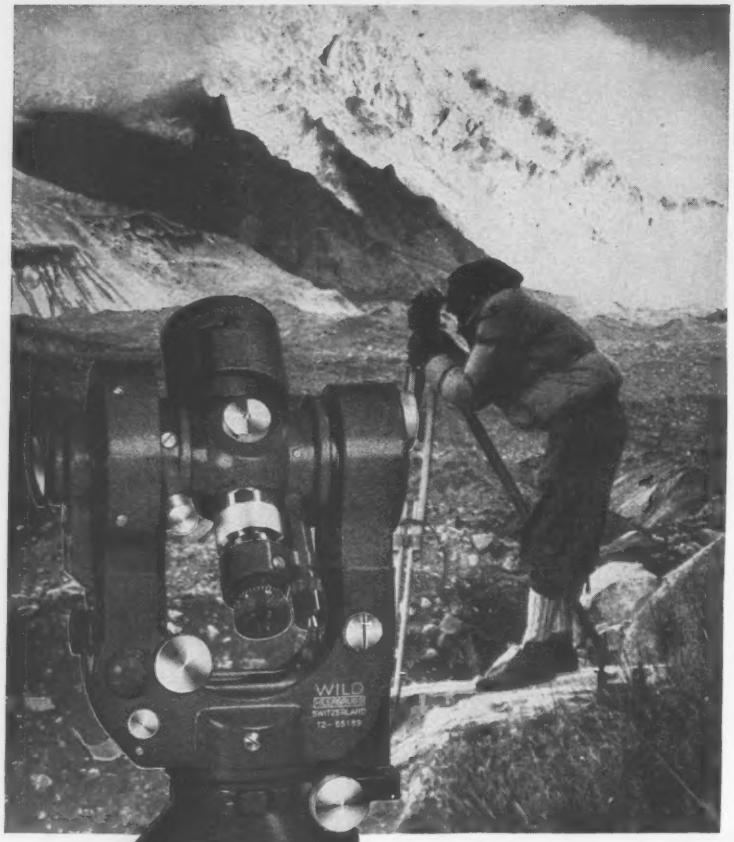
▲ **N. C., Raleigh**—CELL BLOCKS—North Carolina Prison Comn., Cary Rd., cell blocks, Camp Polk Prison, **$2,000,000.**

▲ **Va., Princess Anne**—SCHOOLS—Princess Anne Co. School Bd. voted bonds Mar. 15, Eastern High School, $2,000,000, CD 2/8; Western High School, $2,000,000; school, Oceana, $500,000; school, Virginia Beach, $500,000; school, Princess Anne, $500,000.

COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS

▲ **Ala., Birmingham**—PROFESSIONAL—J. H. Perkins Co., Inc., 1921 11 Ave. S., plans by Warren, Knight & Davis, Protective Life Bldg., 14 story, doctors' professional bldg. to be known as University Towers, 8 Ave. and 19 St. S. **$2,500,000.**

▲ **Conn., Hartford**—CONVENTION HALL—Constitution Plaza, Inc., 111 Talcott St., "Trumbull Center," Convention Hall, 60,000 sq. ft. exhibition space. **$7,000,000.** CD 11/20/58.



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▲ **Ill., Chicago**—APARTMENT—Jerrold Wexler & Jack Galter, 120 S. LaSalle St., plans by Kirschfeld & Pawlan, 327 S. LaSalle St., Zone 4, 27 story apartment, 215 E. Chicago Ave. **$6,000,000.** Bids in July.

▲ **Minn., Edina (P.O. Minneapolis)**—HOSPITAL, etc.—Fairview Hospital, 2312 South Sixth St., Minneapolis, plans by Ellerbe & Co., 333 Sibley St., St. Paul, 200 bed hospital, nurses residence, etc. **$5,000,000.** Constr. to begin in 1963. CD 7/7.

▲ **Minn., St. Paul**—SHOPPING CENTER—Palen Center, Inc., 419 Commerce Parkway, 264,000 sq. ft. shopping center, 2500-car parking NE corner Prosperity Ave. and Johnson Parkway. **$10,000,000.** Constr. soon. CD 2/5/59.

▲ **N. Y., New York**—TELEPHONE EXCHANGE, etc.—New York Telephone Co., 140 West St., Zone 7, plans by Voorhees, Walker, Smith, Smith & Harris, 101 Park Ave., Zone 17, 21 story telephone exchange and office, 789-813 Tenth Ave. **$13,000,000.**

▲ **N. Y., New York**—APARTMENT—Sarkis Bldg. Corp., c/o Z. M. Sourian, archt., 10 W. 55th St., 15 story apartment, Madison Ave. and East 90th St. **$2,755,000.**

▲ **N. Y., New York**—OFFICE—23 West 57th Street Corp., c/o Z. M. Sourian, archt., 10 W. 55th St., 28 story office, 30-34 W. 58th St. **$6,000,000.**

▲ **O., Akron**—MOTEL—Leonard Server & Assocs., 189 W. Randolph St., Chicago, Ill., 11 story, 200-room motel, 3-sublevel parking garage, swimming pool, State St. near Water St., called Executive Tower Motor Hotel. **$2,500,000.** L. R. Solomon & J. D. Cordwell & Assocs., 61 W. Superior St., Chicago, Ill., archts. Bids in April. CD 10/8.

▲ **O., North Olmstead**—HOMES—Alvin Homes, 18009 Holland Rd., Berea, plans by Nathan Berstein, 1991 Lee Rd., Cleveland, Zone 18, 100 homes, **$2,000,000.**

▲ **O., Warrensville Heights**—APARTMENT—J & E Builders, 2199 S. Green Rd., Cleveland, Zone 21, plans by Marvin Rukin, 13947 Cedar Rd., Cleveland, Zone 18, 325 suite apartment, Green Rd. between N. Miles and Emery Rds. **$3,250,000.**

▲ **Pa., Bala Cynwyd**—MOTOR HOTEL, etc.—Hot Shoppes, Inc., 5161 River Rd., Bethesda, Md., plans by William Tabler, 401 7th Ave., New York, N. Y., motor hotel and restaurant. **$5,000,000.** Seelye Stevenson, Valvue & Knecht, 101 Park Ave., New York, N. Y., consult. engrs. CD 5/18.

▲ **Tex., El Paso**—BANK, etc.—El Paso National Bank, Texas and Stanton Sts., plants by Carroll & Daeuble & Associates, 1001 E. Yandell St., and Geo. L. Dahl, 2101 N. St. Paul St., Dallas, 18 story, bsmnt., 640,000 sq. ft., masonry, air-conditioned bank and office, Stanton St. **$6,500,000.**

▲ **Tex., Houston**—SHOPPING CENTER, etc.—J. S. Oshman & Associates, 2310 Maxwell Lane, 18 story unit, 174,000 sq. ft. masonry shopping center, **$2,000,000;** hard-paved shopping area and auto center, **$100,000;** site earthwork, **$60,000;** old Spanish Trail and Scott St.

▲ **Va., Goochland**—HOUSING—Eugene B. West Sr., Mooreland Farms, Richmond, housing subdivision, River Road, Rte. 6, opposite Country Club of Virginia. Over **$3,000,000.**

▲ **Va., Richmond**—APARTMENT—Paul Gordon & Assocs., 5410 Williamsburg Rd., 256 unit apartment, Southside. **$2,000,000.**

▲ **Alta., Lethbridge**—SHOPPING CENTRE—Canada Safeway Ltd., 313 Pacific Ave., Winnipeg, Man., shopping centre, 16-19th Aves. **$2,000,000.**

▲ **Ont., Oakville**—SHOPPING CENTRE—Oak-Queen Shopping Centre, c/o White, Bristol, Beck & Phipps, 335 Bay St., Toronto, plans by Bregman & Hamann, 146 Bloor St. W., Toronto, shopping centre, South Service Rd. **$3,000,000.**

INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS

▲ **Ga., Cartersville**—PLANT—Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., 349 W 1 St., Dayton, O., tire fabric plant **$2,500,000.**

▲ **Ill., Galesburg**—FACTORY—Gates Rubber Co., 999 S. Broadway Ave., Denver, Colo., industrial hose rubber factory. **$3,500,000.**

▲ **N. Y., Henrietta**—SUBSTATION—Rochester Gas & Electric Corp., 89 East Ave., Rochester, substation. **$6,000,000.**

▲ **O., Warren**—PLANT—General Motors Corp., Packard Electric Div., 305 Dana St. N.E., Warren, 255,000 sq. ft. plant addn. **$2,500,000.**

▲ **Tenn., Hohenwald**—PLANT—American Biltrite Rubber Co., 22 Willow St., Boston, Mass., 166,000 sq. ft. plant, braided steel reinforced hydraulic hoses, **$3,000,000.**

▲ **Tenn., New Johnsonville**—PLANT—Foote Mineral Co., Rte. 29, Exton, Pa., manganese refining plant, **$10,000,000.**

UNCLASSIFIED

▲ **Va., Charlottesville**—FIELDHOUSE—Dpt. Educ. State of Virginia St., Office Bldg., Richmond, plans by Anderson, Beckwith & Haible, Charlottesville, fieldhouse, University of Virginia. **$2,500,000.** CD 1/20.

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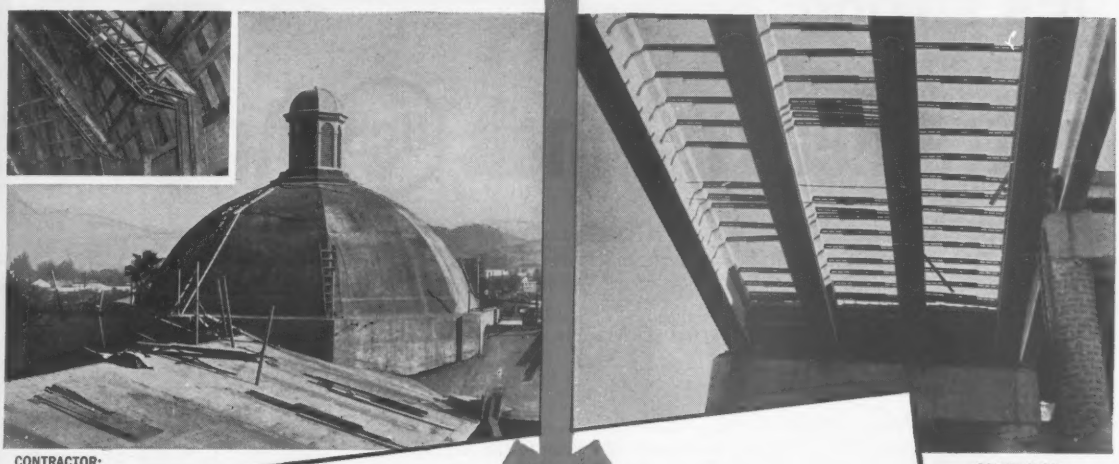

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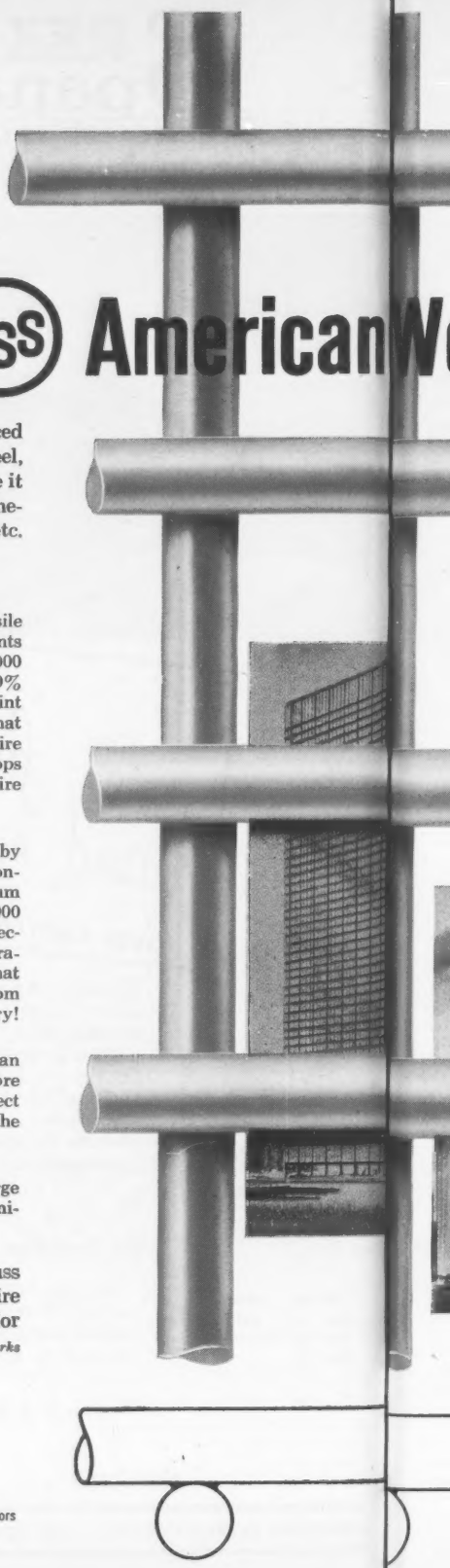

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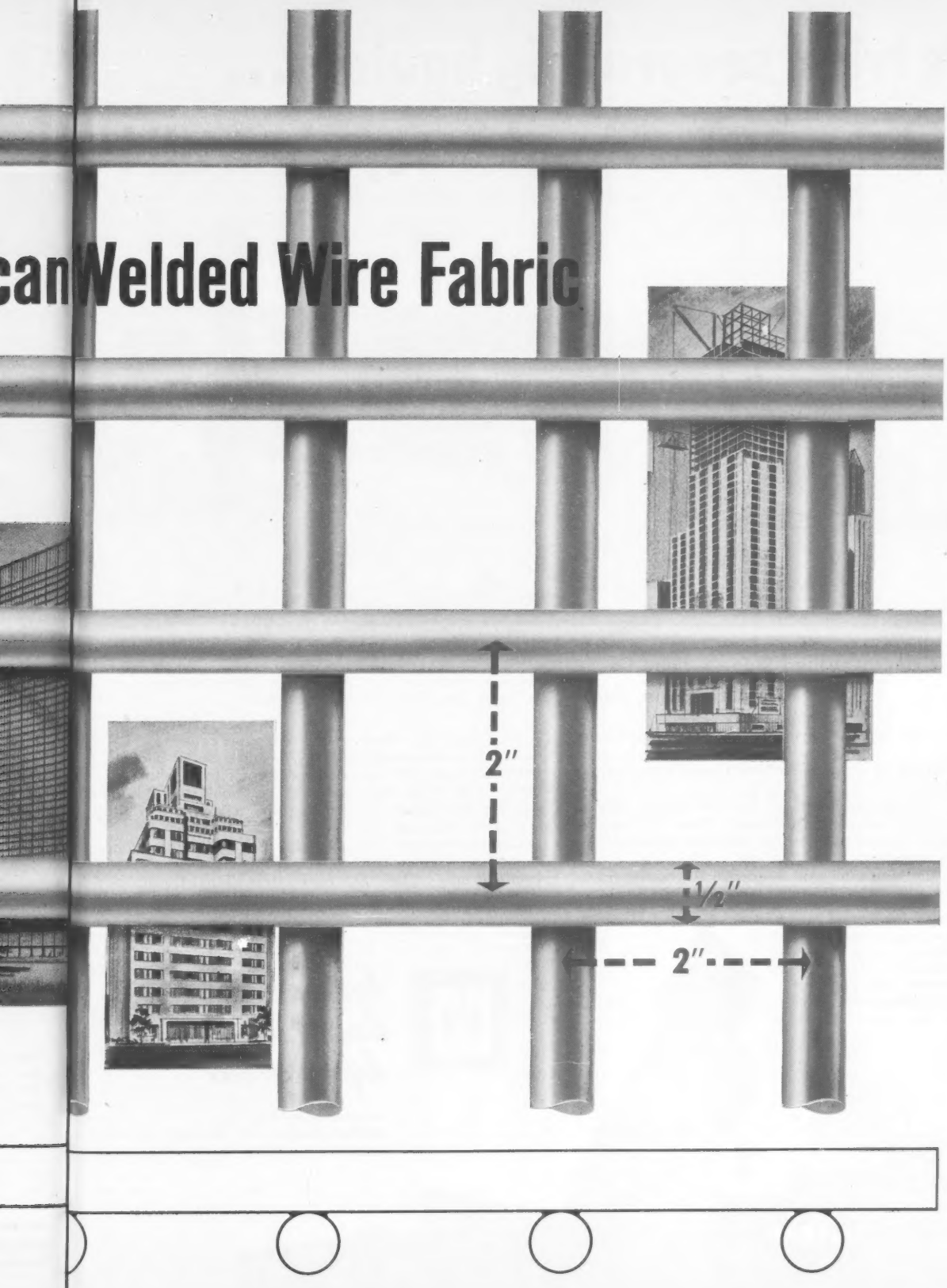

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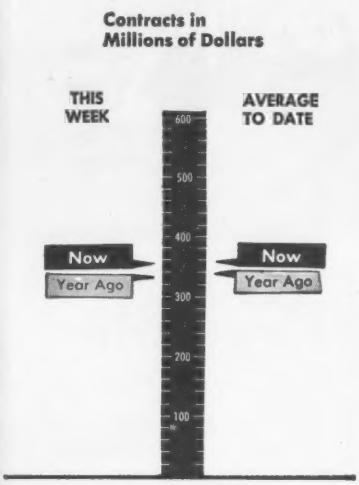

AMOUNT OF CONTRACTS LET

Contracts Awarded In 50 States By Type	This Week millions	Cum. 14 wks 1960	Chge '59-'60 %
All Heavy Construction	$356.2	$5,024.9	+ 1
By Ownership			
PRIVATE	175.7	2,651.5	+11
PUBLIC	180.5	2,373.4	− 7
State & Municipal	139.7	1,775.2	− 2
Federal	40.8	598.2	−19
By Type of Work			
PUBLIC			
Waterworks	4.1	80.2	−31
Sewerage	6.8	143.7	− 3
Bridges*	52.9	264.5	+64
Highways	39.8	682.9	− 4
Earthwork, Dams & Waterways	2.9	171.1	−10
Buildings:			
Excl. Housing	39.6	550.0	−20
Housing	8.8	125.0	+15
Unclassified	25.6	357.2	−11
PRIVATE			
Buildings:			
Mass Housing	89.3	1,218.1	+23
Commercial	57.1	559.4	− 2
Industrial	26.1	585.0	−19
Unclassified	3.2	287.8	+148

*Includes Private bridges

NOTE: Minimum size projects included are: Waterworks and waterways, $53,000; other public works, $88,000; industrial buildings, $110,000; other buildings, $400,000.

New Construction Capital . . .

	Week of Mar. 31 millions	Cum. 13 wks 1960	Chge '59-'60 %
Corporate Securities	$ 98.4	$ 660.7	−21
State and Municipal:			
All Except Housing	57.6	1,686.7	+ 5
Housing	....	13.6	−56
Federal Loans	1.6	48.1	+69
Federal Aid	....	....	....
Total Nonfederal	$157.6	$2,409.1	− 4
Federal Appropriations:			
Projects in U. S.	....	....	....
Outside U. S.	....	....	....
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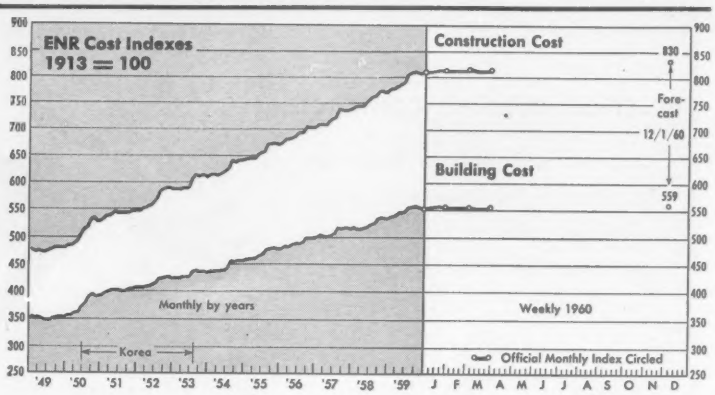

ENR INDEXES (1913=100), 20-cities' average	Week of Mar. 31 1960	% Change from Mar. 3 1960	% Change from April 2 1959
Construction Cost	813.58	+0.01	+3.8
Building Cost	555.23	+0.01	+2.3

To convert above indexes to 1926 = 100: Divide Construction Cost by 2.080; Building Cost by 1.850.
1949 = 100: Divide Construction Cost by 4.770; Building Cost by 3.518.

This Month . . .

WAGE RATES, 20-cities' average

	April 1960	% Change from March 1960	% Change from April 1959
Common	$2.645	+0.1	+5.5
Skilled (average 3 trades)	3.958	+0.2	+4.0
Bricklayers	4.188	+0.3	+3.2
Structural Ironworkers	3.997	+0.4	+4.5
Carpenters	3.69	0	+4.5
Equipment operators (average three types)	3.598 R	0	+4.5
MATERIAL PRICES, 20-cities' average			
Structural Steel (average 3 mills), per cwt	5.50	0	0
Lumber, 2x4 Fir, per M fbm	121.29	−0.5	+0.8
Lumber, 2x4 Pine, per M fbm	109.93	−0.1	+2.2
Cement, bulk, per bbl	4.013	+0.2	+0.7
Sand, per ton	2.467	0	−0.6
Ready-mixed concrete, per cu yd	14.30	0	+2.8
Gypsum sheathing, ½″x2′x8′, per Msf*	63.20	0	+0.9
Fiber board sheathing, ½″ sq. ed., per Msf*	73.51	−0.2	+3.5
Mineral wool insulation, 3′ batts, per Msf*	68.58	+0.2	−1.8
Crushed stone, 1½″, per ton, CL	2.669	0	−3.2
Concrete blocks, sand/gravel, 8″x8″x16″, each*	2.328	−0.3	+3.1

Latest Month . . .

	March 1960	Feb. 1960	March 1959
Brick, common per M	40.70	+0.6	+7.5
Lime, hydrated finishing, per ton, CL	39.39	+1.0	+3.0
Structural clay tile, 3x12x12″, per M, 2,000 up*	189.26	+0.5	+1.7
Vitrified clay sewer pipe, std 12″, per ft	1.426	+0.1	+3.3
Concrete sewer pipe, 12″, per ft	1.391	0	+3.8

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1959						
Mar	781.35	163.80	540.32	153.59	586	169
Apr	784.41	164.44	542.93	154.33	532	154
May	790.37	165.69	544.44	154.76	700	202
Jun	795.16	166.69	548.35	155.87	650	188
July	806.69	169.11	551.74	156.84	671	194
Aug	811.15	170.04	554.31	157.60	509	147
Sept	812.56	170.33	555.88	158.01	545	158
Oct	811.40	170.09	555.40	157.88	415	120
Nov	809.78	169.75	554.19	157.53	509	147
Dec	808.63	169.52	552.80	157.10	436	126
1959 Average	**797.39**	**167.17**	**547.82**	**155.72**	**540**	**156**
1960						
Jan	812.03	170.23	554.40	157.57	432	125
Feb	812.93	170.41	555.43	157.92	486	140 R
Mar	813.46	170.53	555.16	157.81	533	154
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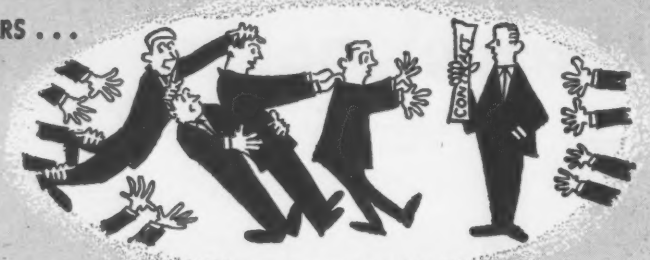
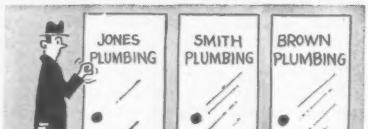


Too Many Contractors; Too Few Jobs

While the building industry elsewhere has been skipping along setting new records for the last couple of years, Detroit contractors are still watching their business stumble downhill at an uncomfortable pace.

Figures show 1959 contracts were 33% below 1955—down to $513.4 million in '59 from $763.9 million in '55.

And while construction business has been declining, the Detroit Chapter of Associated General Contractors estimates that the number of contractors has increased to 600, 30% more than in 1955. Cut-throat competition, bid shopping, bid peddling and other unethical practices have Detroit builders worried.



BID SHOPPING, peddling are common.

The sharp drop of industrial construction is one of the main problems, according to most local builders. They believe manufacturers overexpanded in 1954 and 1955.

Others point to what they call Michigan's poor business climate, which they say is forcing industry to abandon Detroit and build in other parts of the nation where cheaper labor costs and more favorable tax structures can be found. But this charge has been tossed around indiscriminately by many discontented businessmen who do not take the time to properly pin-point the cause of their troubles.

The Builders' & Traders' Exchange thinks that if the number of contractors was reduced by 25%, the industry could operate profitably, even though 25% of the industry could handle the work that is now available. The exchange wants to rid the industry of marginal operators—who are obviously destined to fail—through restriction of credit and bonding, while helping the good businessman to grow by educating and assisting him. The exchange also hopes to convince suppliers and subcontractors that they should stop subsidizing the builder who is making ignorant bids, thereby spoiling what could be profitable jobs.

Suppliers hesitate to turn down a marginal operator for fear that he may get big. Subcontractors carry him for the same reason.

Established contractors in Detroit all tell the same story: Three or four years ago, when industrial construction declined, the industry was forced to lay off key people—estimators, designers, field people. These men had practical experience in some particular areas of the industry.

Out of work, many of them installed a telephone and went into the construction business. They did not know costs, and did not have a proper business background to understand all phases of the industry. So they made lots of mistakes in bidding, spoiling jobs that would have made a profit for their former bosses. Easy credit encouraged them and they began trading dollars. By the time they realized they were not turning a profit, it was too late to back out. They had to begin cut-throating to stay in business.

Meanwhile, business continued to decline, making conditions even more severe.

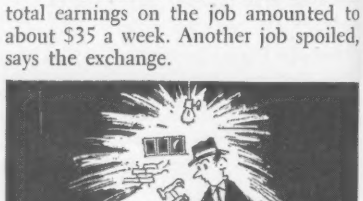
When residential construction dropped off sharply in 1956 and 1957, homebuilders tried their business techniques in the commercial building field and found them incompatible with that kind of construction. More jobs were spoiled.

Today it is not unusual for 30 or 35 firms to bid on a single job, say members of the exchange. On the average, there are twice as many bidders for each job than there were in 1955.

Experienced contractors say they cannot compete, because they know that among all those bids there will be some mistakes—and the job goes to the man making the biggest mistakes. He will spoil another job that should have made a profit.

Companies that a few years ago would not touch a job below $500,000 now say they are taking bids at $200,000 to $300,000. And buildings that three years ago would get $1,000,000 are being built today for $850,000 and $900,000. Many contractors say you cannot give away $100,000 without cheating—or otherwise cutting corners.

One marginal operator recently won two small government jobs that totaled about $57,000. He had cut his bid so close that he worked evenings in the basement of his home fabricating some of the materials. He admits that his total earnings on the job amounted to about $35 a week. Another job spoiled, says the exchange.



OVERTIME work at home cuts corners.

One builder accuses the architects of not shouldering the responsibility of seeing that their specifications are understood and obeyed.

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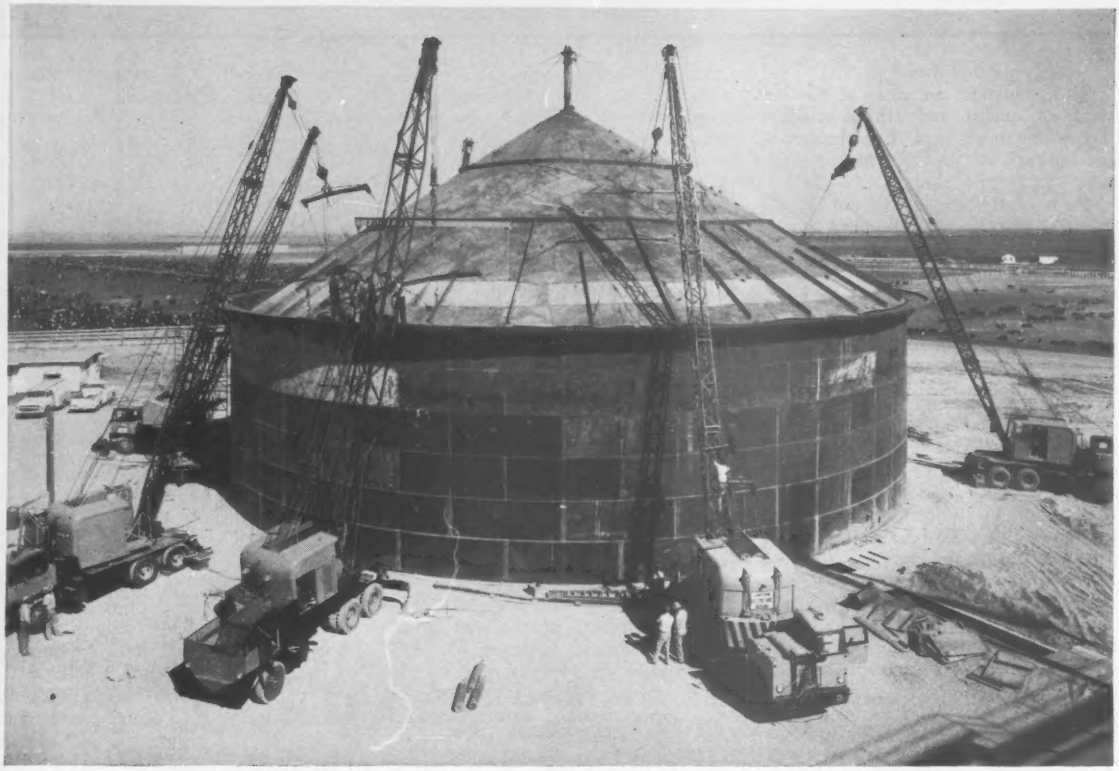

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MC-430	30-ton	1-yd.	8x4	x	x	x
MC-530	35-ton	1-yd.	6x4, 8x4	x	x	x
MC-530W	35-ton	1¼-yd.	8x4	x	x	x
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MC-875	80-ton	——	6x4	x	—	—

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Some builders cut costs at the expense of quality and ethical conduct just to stay in business. Even leaders of the industry are resorting to bid shopping and bid peddling.

Many of those who will not engage in these practices are stepping out of the business, or going bankrupt.

Edward Wendeln, of Killfoile-Wendeln, a 10-year-old firm that quit the industry this year, says his company would resume business tomorrow if it could compete ethically. But rather than sacrifice quality and reputation for jobs, he will remain outside the industry.

The Builders' & Traders' Exchange hopes to bring together all parties who have a stake in building—contractors, subcontractors, architects, suppliers, bankers, bond writers—to find a common direction and greater cohesion among them. These groups have their individual trade associations, but the exchange wants them to work as a single team, at least long enough to set up a common program of sane business measures, such as an ethical code for the mechanics of bidding, a bid deposit before a bidder can get credit, and restrictions to control the irresponsible contractor.

March Awards Top February's by 14%

Heavy construction contracts awarded in March totaled more than $2 billion, topping February lettings by 14%.

Although the average weekly rate in March was 3% below a year ago, March's volume brings the first quarter total to $4.7 billion, 1% above the first three months of last year.

Public works strengthened in March, but private awards continue to lead, with this sector topping public works for the eighth consecutive month. Every type of public work except housing gained in March. Increases over February ranged from 2% for sewerage to 58% for bridges. Housing dropped 18%.

The public works total in March was $975 million—25% above February, but 4% short of the rate of one year ago. State and municipal contracts of $712 million were 13% ahead of February and only 4% behind one year ago, helped by highway and bridge contracts that are now moving in larger volume to contractors. Other public works appear about to zoom (see p. 21).

Federal contracts jumped 78% to $263 million. The propellant was missile bases and major buildings, including a $50-million contract for additional House of Representatives office space.

But for the first three months, total public work is well behind the same period of last year, except for highway and bridge contracts. Steady gains since the December '59 low brought the first quarter 3% ahead of one year ago for highways. Bridge contracts are 39% ahead of last year's first quarter.

There was a lull in private construction during March, although awards topped $1 billion. The total, however, is 2% below a year ago for the first time this year. The slowdown trimmed the first quarter margin to 9% above a year ago compared with a 14% lead in the first two months.

Major drop in private construction came in industrial building. Volume sank 43% below February's rate and 62% below one year ago. The drop reflects the mid-1959 cutback in planning when the steel strike injected some uncertainty about steel deliveries and future costs. However, the sharp upturn in proposed industrial building since the strike settlement, plus the growing conviction that steel prices will remain fairly stable over the near-term, should make an impact on industrial contracts in coming months.

Mass housing awards still topped every type of construction in March with a total of $444 million. On a weekly average basis, however, housing is 17% below the February rate. Still, last month was the best March on record since 1956. Volume for the first quarter of $1.1 billion was 21% ahead of a year ago. The quarter total was also the biggest first quarter since 1956.

A number of office building contracts boosted commercial building in March 65% above the February rate and 25% one year ago to a total of $222 million. This pares the gap from last year for the first three months to only 5%.

One month ago, commercial building contracts were 18% behind the first two months of 1959.

Engineering Construction Contracts for March

	March, 1960							% Change '59 to '60 (av. wk.)	Three Month Cumulative		% Change '59 to '60	Canada March 1960
	New England	Middle Atlantic	South	Mid-West	Mississippi to Rockies	Far West*	Total U. S.		1960	1959		
Public Works, Total	**37,798**	**239,873**	**172,912**	**135,981**	**225,647**	**163,350**	**975,561**	**− 4**	**2,192,904**	**2,339,597**	**− 6**	**268,655**
Waterworks	2,147	2,397	6,990	6,062	9,276	7,338	34,210	−22	76,123	112,500	−32	1,649
Sewerage	3,261	10,872	11,779	9,138	6,317	9,416	50,783	− 6	136,841	141,008	− 3	3,588
Bridges	772	61,781	12,955	20,905	12,027	1,814	110,254	+78	210,619	152,058	+39	12,781
Earthwork, waterways	1,957	5,712	11,483	5,949	28,809	12,210	66,210	−40	168,220	174,236	− 4	197,751
Streets and roads	7,669	53,374	46,646	52,016	84,377	40,644	284,726	+13	642,968	622,203	+ 3	5,374
Buildings: Residential	1,624	1,146	10,117	762	8,247	11,071	32,967	−53	116,146	136,110	−15	3,731
Other	16,746	94,359	36,716	34,058	32,876	40,477	255,232	− 1	510,379	619,055	−18	32,361
Unclassified	3,622	10,232	36,226	7,091	43,628	40,380	141,179	−15	331,608	382,427	−13	11,420
State & Municipal	33,156	162,513	127,461	124,065	148,684	116,447	712,325	− 4	1,635,539	1,673,067	− 2	249,862
Federal	4,643	77,360	45,451	11,916	76,963	46,903	263,236	+ 5	557,365	666,530	−16	18,793
Private, Total	**93,198**	**213,543**	**71,800**	**176,419**	**277,741**	**193,125**	**1,025,826**	**− 2**	**2,475,786**	**2,273,948**	**+ 9**	**74,293**
Bridges	90						90	−51	1,149	150	+666	184
Buildings: Industrial	6,774	9,114	16,945	33,205	30,528	54,829	151,395	−02	558,868	706,556	−21	30,715
Mass housing	51,530	164,317	22,143	76,863	70,886	57,934	443,682	+ 1	1,128,842	934,514	+21	23,802
Commercial	33,954	37,964	28,450	49,147	35,423	86,567	221,505	+25	502,304	526,234	− 5	19,504
Unclassified	841	2,148	4,262	17,204	140,904	43,795	209,154	+680	284,623	106,494	+167	88
Total Mar. 1960—5 weeks*	**130,996**	**453,416**	**244,712**	**312,400**	**503,388**	**356,475**	**2,001,387**	**− 3**				**342,948**
Total Feb. 1960—4 weeks*	80,427	406,549	234,680	219,076	270,174	191,337	1,402,243					95,659
Total Mar. 1959—4 weeks*	104,020	380,907	241,866	209,600	474,589	240,164	1,651,146					78,147
Three months—1960*	**312,979**	**1,199,812**	**638,780**	**733,562**	**1,016,709**	**766,848**			4,668,690		+ 1	**535,123**
Three Months—1959*	285,996	1,166,183	782,754	602,526	1,119,301	656,785				4,613,545		307,441
% Change '59 to '60	+9	+3	−18	+22	−9	+17						+74

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Engineering Unionism: New Twist

- **Drive for a new national federation of engineer unions may cave in as affiliation with AFL-CIO gains increasing favor.**
- **Reason: AFL-CIO is tending to pay more heed to the professional man's interest in identity, status and advancement.**

The AFL-CIO may be laying the groundwork for a significant breakthrough into the unionization of engineers as well as technicians.

A current indication is the turn of events in the ill-fated efforts to organize the Engineers and Scientists Guild, which would have been a national federation of independent unions for engineers, scientists and allied workers. Present indications are that ESG died aborning.

Charles Hall, interim president of ESG, now thinks effective unionism lies in another direction and is urging the members of his Engineers Association to affiliate with James Carey's International Union of Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO. EA, which is certified by the National Labor Relations Board, is a union of engineers and technical employees at the Sperry Gyroscope Co., a Long Island, N. Y., division of Sperry Rand Corp.

In mid-March, EA's Executive Committee approved the proposed affiliation. Most of the committee members are professional men with engineering degrees. And last week, EA's Representatives Council, which is comparable to a stewards committee, took similar action. The vote was 3 to 1. The proposal is now headed for an EA membership vote, but the date has not been set.

These developments represent a radical departure from EA's previous approach to a national union (ENR Feb. 27, 1958, p. 94) and have been brought about by structural changes now shaping up within the AFL-CIO. The changes are designed to preserve the autonomy and identity of engineers and to promote their professional interests.

For 14 years, the association has been one of the leaders in the tortuous search for a national organization free from management influence and combining effective collective bargaining with promotion of professional status (ENR Apr. 23, 1959, p. 30).

Throughout its stormy affiliation with Engineers and Scientists of America and its subsequent efforts to launch ESG, EA has shied away from trade union affiliation. The reason, Mr. Hall says, is that EA members felt that they could, in this way, best "regain" the professional status that had "deteriorated" under the aegis of the technical societies. For however odd it may sound to the uninitiated, engineering unions are as interested as the professional societies in furthering professional recognition.

Groups within the AFL-CIO have become increasingly aware of this, and are promoting evolutionary changes in the federation to attract engineers. Much of the impetus has come from the work force changes that are driving unions into the white collar field, as the relative strength of blue collar workers grows smaller.

There are two significant trends in the federation. Because of the nature of the trends, the EA developments may be more than a flash in the pan for engineering unionism generally.

- A Washington conference sponsored by the AFL-CIO Industrial Union Department last year and a Harvard seminar held this year have strengthened the AFL-CIO belief that engineers, as well as other professional and technical workers, can be organized—if the AFL-CIO changes its traditional approaches. This, in turn, has encouraged the IUD and its affiliates to explore the types of structural changes that might be made to allow for the engineers' interest in identity, status and advancement.
- At the top, there is an IUD committee at work on the problems of professional and technical workers. These are problems that may go beyond the scope of any one union. They include a definition of professional standards, full use of professional skills, broader exchange of experience and wage data, educational problems of scientists and engineers, and the special needs of workers who seek professional identification.

The IUD has simultaneously stepped up its activities and appointed two new directors, one administrative and one organizing. Mr. Carey, incidentally, is second in command of the IUD under Walter Reuther.

Similar developments are occurring at the international and local levels.

The IUE, for example, has a similar study committee and may set up an International Engineering Council, staffed by engineers. Present prospect of such a council is largely the result of prodding from the IUE's District 4, with which EA will be affiliated if the membership votes approval.

District 4 embraces IUE locals in upper New Jersey and lower New York State. It has long been active in white collar organizing and has been giving increasing emphasis to engineers. Vice President George Collins claims it has a large number of professional engineers among its members. Present engineering affiliates include Arma, Ford Instrument and Ward Leonard, two of which are former ESA affiliates.

District 4 has established a Salary Division for white collar workers. Engineers have been active in the division, according to Mr. Collins. District 4 is now considering splitting the division to form an Engineering Council to serve the interests and needs of engineers.

Walter Reuther's United Auto Workers Union has made somewhat similar changes in its structure and has combined these with changes in its contract procedures.

A collateral development in some of the IUD affiliates is the formation of conference boards that help correlate and coordinate the common interests of sister locals and of similarly situated locals of different internationals.

EA leaders hope that from the AFL-CIO changes will emerge a number of pyramids of Engineering Councils in different affiliates, all tied together by a common Engineering Council at the departmental level. The councils would be run by and for engineers. This would give engineers the combined advantages of horizontal and vertical unionism and the organizational strength of the AFL-CIO without loss of the identity that has been sought outside the federation.

EA leaders feel assured that these structural changes will become realities.

(*Turn the page*)

They have explained the common organization that may tie together all bona fide engineering locals in every AFL-CIO international this way:

"It is envisioned that this body will ultimately speak for engineering and set up a national center for correlation of materials, publication of statistics, a newspaper, and general organizing of engineering employees. Also, such a council will be able to provide Washington with legislative representatives to give the employed engineer a voice in the Capitol."

Mr. Hall personally hopes the end result may eventually make possible the formation of an effective international union of engineers within the AFL-CIO.

Meanwhile, the National Society of Professional Engineers has strengthened its opposition to the unionization of engineers.

It reaffirmed its belief that professionalism and unionism are imcompatible, and has, as a matter of policy, become officially concerned with the unionization of engineering technicians.

NSPE is now pledged to assist technicians who resist unionization, when invited to do so and when the unionization of technicians could adversely affect the interests of professional engineers.

Antitrust Laws Applied To Labor Union Demands

The U. S. Supreme Court's handling of an antitrust case last week may open up new vistas for contractors in the application of antitrust laws to labor.

The court upheld a lower court ruling that demands of local butchers unions for a labor contract clause setting the opening and closing times of a store amounted to an illegal conspiracy.

Court's reasoning was that the immunity which unions enjoy does not attach to activities that affect management prerogatives rather than the rights of labor.

"An employer has the right and it is his duty, if he is to survive commercially," the court said, "first to determine the needs of the public, second to provide a time, a place, and facilities for meeting those needs, and third to provide, under the terms of (federal law), the services of employees to accomplish the foregoing objectives. The rights of labor attach only to the third, and if any effort is made by labor to infringe rights of the employer in the first or second field, it is not shielded from the sword of the antitrust laws."

Case involved the Jewel Tea Co. in Chicago.

The Teamster Tangle Thickens

Judge Letts, supervisor of teamster house cleaning, faces collapse of the monitor system he set up

Efforts to clean up the teamsters union are now snarled in a mass of litigation that perhaps only a Solomon can untangle.

For over two years, opponents of James R. Hoffa within the Eisenhower Administration, Congress, the AFL-CIO and the teamsters have come to rely on the teamster court-appointed board of monitors as the most likely force to unseat the president of the big trucking union. In that period, the monitors have assumed the authority and the apparent determination to displace the Detroit labor leader on charges of corruption. This, perhaps, may prove to be their undoing.

Within the past few weeks, the monitor system has erupted into a series of legal entanglements, charges and countercharges until, today, it is threatening to explode out of existence.

Some curious changes in sentiment by former monitor opponents to Mr. Hoffa's stewardship of the teamsters union have helped to derail the monitors' case against the resilient labor leader. It is a case that has been building up, slowly, for many months and is scheduled to reach the court room of Federal Judge F. Dickinson Letts on April 27.

On that date, Monitor chairman Martin F. O'Donoghue is slated to begin his charges against Mr. Hoffa for his part in a Florida real estate venture which, says Mr. O'Donoghue, Mr. Hoffa backed with the "mis-use" of teamster treasury funds. This is only the first of a series of complaints against Mr. Hoffa that Mr. O'Donoghue claims are serious enough to warrant his removal as provisional president.

At this point, the date and the case are the only definitely scheduled events for the future.

It is an open question whether Mr. O'Donoghue will have any support from the other two monitors or, indeed, whether there will be any other monitors at all.

In a rapid sequence of events that started several weeks ago, monitor Lawrence T. Smith, who represented the rank-and-file plaintiffs in challenging Mr. Hoffa's right to be teamster president, first shifted his voting alignment and was subsequently removed by Judge Letts. Mr. Smith, who had normally voted with Mr. O'Donoghue to take the anti-Hoffa charges into Judge Letts' courtroom, reversed his position recently to charge that Mr. O'Donoghue was out to "get Hoffa" instead of concentrating on democratic procedures within the union.

Judge Letts, who has supported Mr. O'Donoghue's position all along, then removed Mr. Smith as monitor when the attorney would not resign.

Former F.B.I. agent Terence F. McShane has been named Mr. Smith's successor. Mr. Smith is appealing.

Along with the shift in Mr. Smith's sentiments, monitor Daniel Maher, representing the teamsters on the three-man board, resigned. Immediately, Mr. Hoffa submitted the name of William Buffalino, head of Detroit teamster Local 985, as Mr. Maher's successor. Mr. Buffalino had been named by the McClellan committee as an associate of racketeers in his Detroit juke box local.

Judge Letts refused to accept Mr. Maher's resignation.

As a final touch, the original rank-and-file teamsters who started the suit against Mr. Hoffa fired their own attorney, Godfrey Schmidt, who, along with Mr. O'Donoghue, has been a main opponent of Mr. Hoffa. They charged, as did Mr. Smith, that Mr. Schmidt, too, just wanted to "get Hoffa" and not clean up the union.

The whole matter was tossed into the lap of Judge Letts who was left to decide whether to continue dealing with Mr. Schmidt, as attorney for the plaintiffs, on the grounds that the suit is a "class" action and not within the sole jurisdiction of the plaintiffs.

If Judge Letts goes ahead with the April 27 hearings, no matter what the status of the monitor group, Mr. Hoffa will face a long trial. Mr. O'Donoghue has a mass of material collected in an attempt to show that Mr. Hoffa must be replaced before the union can be cleaned up.

However, the monitor momentum that had been gained in the campaign to unseat Mr. Hoffa has apparently been lost in the entanglements—and in the shifts of former anti-Hoffa forces into positions that correspond with his.

As part of Mr. Hoffa's shift to the offensive, he asked Judge Letts late last week to permit the teamsters to call an immediate international union convention so that he could be re-elected without the court ties. In the request, the teamster union agreed to abide by election rules set up by the court and the Landrum-Griffin law.

Plumbers Union Quits Industrial Union Group

The withdrawal of the plumbers union from the Industrial Union Department of the AFL-CIO (ENR Mar. 24, p. 57) does not amount to a clean administrative break between the craft and industrial unions nor does it affect the building trades' affiliation with the parent AFL-CIO.

Four of the building trades unions are still members of the IUD to the extent of their industrial representation. They are the boilermakers, laborers, electrical workers and marble polishers. Gordon Freeman, international president of the electrical workers, is still a member of the IUD Executive Committee.

The plumbers' withdrawal, effective last week, followed a recent heated discussion in the IUD Executive Committee. Bone of contention was building trades' participation in Construction Industry Joint Conference efforts to promote maintenance by contract (ENR Feb. 18, p. 141). Plumbers' President Peter T. Schoemann, who is a member of the IUD Executive Committee, said he was asked to leave the room while the matter was discussed.

"We desire only to avoid any recurrence of this unfortunate affair so that in the future if the department's Executive Committee desires, for example, to discuss matters involving the building trades, as the committee undoubtedly will, then they may do so more freely without the embarrassment of my presence or the need to ask me to leave," Mr. Schoemann said, in explaining the secession.

The IUD reports that the operating engineers and carpenters had been IUD members, but withdrew for "no special reasons," and that the sheet metal workers applied for membership in 1955, but never joined.

Electrical Workers Win A 20-Cent Wage Increase

A one-year labor contract granting a 20-cent package increase to electrical workers may set the pattern for wage settlements with 20 other building trades unions now negotiating in the Buffalo, N. Y., area.

Members of IBEW Local 41 will receive a 10-cent hourly wage increase and payment of another 10 cents an hour into a health and welfare fund. The contract is effective May 1.

The contract affects 900 electrical workers in commercial, industrial and residential construction work. It was negotiated with the local association of electrical contractors.

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CLOSING DATE: Friday 10:30 A.M. for issue dated the following Thursday.

SEND COPY TO: Official Proposal Division, Engineering News-Record
P.O. Box 12, New York 36, N. Y.

Bids: April 12, 1960.

Venturi Meters

CONTRACT 458

SEALED BIDS will be received by the Board of Water Supply, at its offices, thirteenth floor, 120 Wall Street, New York City, until 11:00 A.M., Eastern Standard Time, on Tuesday, April 12, 1960, for Contract 458, for furnishing, testing and delivering stainless steel venturi meters, together with their instrument assemblies and appurtenances, complete in every respect and ready for installation, all as set forth in the specifications. One 143-inch by 102-inch venturi meter and one 24-inch by 18-inch venturi meter will be required for the Release Water Works at the Cannonsville dam, and one 108-inch by 72-inch venturi meter will be required for the Outlet Works of the West Delaware tunnel.

No bid will be received and deposited unless accompanied by a certified check upon a National or State bank, drawn and made payable to the order of the Comptroller of The City of New York, in the amount of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000.00), for the proper execution of the Contract.

Pamphlets containing information for bidders, forms of bid and contract, specifications, contract drawings, requirements as to surety, etc., can be obtained in the Secretary's office, Room 1312, at the above address, upon application in person or by mail, by depositing the sum of $5.00 for each pamphlet. Within 30 days following the award of contract or rejection of bids the full amount of such deposit will be refunded for each pamphlet submitted as a bid and a refund of $4.00 will be made for each other pamphlet returned in acceptable condition. Arrangements will be made whereby prospective bidders desiring blueprints of the contract drawings for their own use may secure same, the cost thereof to be paid by them. For further particulars apply at the office of the Chief Engineer, at the above address.

ARTHUR C. FORD, President, EDWARD C. MAGUIRE, HERBERT M. ROSENBERG, Commissioners; Board of Water Supply; BETTY COHEN, Acting Secretary.

Bids: May 27, 1960.

City Public Safety Building Rochester-Monroe County Civic Center

ADVERTISEMENT FOR PROPOSALS

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals for the City Public Safety Building, for the Rochester-Monroe County Civic Center will be received by the Rochester-Monroe Civic Center Commission at Room 36 in the City Hall until 11:00 o'clock A.M. Eastern Daylight Time on May 27 (twenty-seven) 1960, at which place and hour they will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The proposals shall be for furnishing all labor, materials, insurance, bonds, equipment, facilities, transportation and services necessary for and reasonably incidental to the completion of all work for the above project in accordance with the Drawings, Specifications and other Contract Documents prepared by Bohacket and Flynn, Architects.

The work is divided into the following separate contracts, each to include portions of the complete work, as follows:

General Construction Work
Heating & Ventilating
Plumbing Work
Electrical Work
Elevator & Escalator Work

These plans, specifications and other contract documents may be examined and copies thereof may be obtained at Room 36, in the City Hall, Rochester, New York. One copy of the said documents may be obtained upon payment of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) deposit; any person, firm or corporation submitting a bid to the City on this project and returning such copy in good condition within thirty (30) calendar days following the opening of the Proposals will be refunded One Hundred Dollars ($100.00). Reimbursement of Fifty Dollars ($50.00) will be made to any person, firm or corporation not submitting a bid to the City of Rochester on this project and returning other copies of the plans and specifications in good condition within thirty (30) calendar days following the opening of Proposals.

Rochester-Monroe Civic Center Commission reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals and to waive any informalities, should the best interest of the Commission thereby be promoted.

Proposals shall be made on the form provided in the Contract Documents, and each proposal shall be accompanied by a certified check made payable to the Rochester-Monroe Civic Center Commission, in an amount not less than five per cent (5%) of the total amount of the proposal, conditioned that the bidder will execute the Contract and deliver the required insurance and Performance Bond for the proposed work within ten (10) calendar days after the date of written notice that his proposal has been accepted.

For proposals with total amounts in excess of $200,000, a bid bond in the amount of five (5%) per cent of the amount of the proposal, in proper form, executed by a surety company acceptable to the Rochester-Monroe Civic Center Commission, will be accepted in lieu of the aforesaid certified check.

The work involved in this project is not financed or aided by any Federal or State agency.

A bidder may not withdraw his proposal within forty-five (45) calendar days after the opening of proposals, but may withdraw his proposal at any time prior to the scheduled time for the opening of proposals.

Kenneth E. Punnett
Purchasing Agent

Bids: April 21, 1960

Newark Airport Extension of Parking Lot No. 3

THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY

CONTRACT O & M-578

Sealed proposals for the construction of paving and utilities for extending Parking Lot No. 3 at Newark Airport will be received at the office of the Department of Purchase and Administrative Services of The Port of New York Authority, Room 900, 111 Eighth Avenue, New York 11, New York, until 11:00 A.M. Thursday, April 21, 1960 at which time and place said proposals will be opened and read.

Contract documents may be seen at the office of the Department of Purchase and Administrative Services, Room 900, and copies will be furnished upon deposit of $10.00 per set. Deposit must be delivered to Treasury Department, Room 1001, where a receipt will be issued. The receipt is then to be delivered to the Department of Purchase and Administrative Services, who will furnish the contract documents. The deposit will be remitted if the documents are returned in good condition, not later than thirty days after the opening of proposals. The deposit will be forfeited if the documents are not returned within thirty days.

THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
S. Sloan Colt, Chairman

New York, April 7, 1960

OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

Bids: April 21, 1960.

New York State Road Work

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ALBANY, N. Y.,—Pursuant to the provisions of the Highway Law, and Article 2, Title 9 of the Public Authorities Law, and special provisions for projects financed with Federal Aid Funds, sealed proposals will be received until ten-thirty o'clock A. M., eastern standard time on the 21st day of April 1960, by Henry A. Cohen, Director, Bureau of Contracts, 12th Floor, The Governor Alfred E. Smith State Office Building, Albany, N. Y., for the following projects:

County	Contract No.	Name	Miles	Type	Deposit	Estimated Cost of Work
DISTRICT No 1, G L Nickerson, District Engineer 353 Broadway, Abany 1 New York						
Albany	FASS 60-4 PSC 18538	Fuller Road C R 156, Elm of Grade Crossng of the NY.C. Railroad with the Fuller Road, C.R 156 Project S-568(1)	1.95	9" Cem Conc Pavt 40', 48' & Var=1 72 Miles; Asph Conc=0.23 Mi.; RRGS-NYCRR-Plate Girder Span 62.0'	$93,000 Plans $5	$1,691,000
Rensselaer & Washington (Rte. 40)	FARC 60-27	Schaghticoke-Middle Falls, Pt. 1, S H 8350 Schaghticoke-Middle Falls Pt. 2, S.H 8350 Project F-504(11)	7.98	Asphalt Concrete	$84,000 Plans $5	$1,531,000
Rensse aer (Rte. 67)	RC. 60-43	North HoosickWhite Creek Station S.H 1792	4.05	Asph. Conc.=4.03 Mi Misc. Work=0.02 Mi.	$8,000 Plans $5	154,000
Rensselaer (Rte. 7)	R.C. 60-42	Whitehouse Bridge-Vermont State Line, S.H. 1426	3.92	Asphalt Concrete	$7,000 Plans $5	133,000
DISTRICT No. 2, L. Ketchum, District Engineer 109 No. Genesee Street, Utica 1 New York						
Herkimer (Rte. 28)	FARC 60-22	Richfield Springs-Getman Corners, Pt. 2, S.H 1818 Project S-493(1)	6.17	Asph. Conc Type 1A=6.12 Mi. Misc. Work=0.05 Mi.	$51,000 Plans $5	928,000
Madison & Oneida (Rte. 31)	FATS 60-5	Oneida Lake-South Bay, Oneida-South Bay, Pt. 2, S.H. 1361; Canastota-South Bay, S.H. 812; Oneida Valley-State Bridge, Pt. 1, S.H. 8367; Oneida Valley-State Bridge, Pt. 2, S.H 8367; State Bridge-Verona Sta., SH. 8432 Project F-540(3)	7.12	Traffic Signs	$350 Plans $5	6,500
DISTRICT No 3, E E Towlson, Acting District Engineer, 333 E Washington Street, Syracuse, New York						
Cayuga (Rte. 34)	FARC 60-34	Fleming-Scipio, Pt 2, S.H. 1327A Venice Center-Genoa, S.H. 1414 Project F-1155(3)	8.92	Asphalt Concrete	$23,000 Plans $5	421,000
Cayuga (Rte. 34)	FARC 60-36	Genoa-North Lansing, S.H. 1566 Project F-1155(1)	4.95	Asph. Conc., Type 1A Conc. Box-Twin Span 15' Each	$47,000 Plans $5	830,000
Cayuga (Rte. 34)	FARC 60-1	Weedsport-Cato, S.H. 686 Project F-1114(6)	0.48	Grading & Drainage	$13,000 Plans $5	242,000
Tompkins (Rte. 13)	R.C. 60-47	Cayuta-Newfield, S.H. 5474 Ithaca-Newfield, S.H. 5214	1.85	Asphalt Concrete	$3,000 Plans $5	53,000
Wayne (Rte. 31)	FARC 60-37	Pittsford-Palmyra, Pt. 4, S.H. 1551 Project F-744(7)	1.87	Asphalt Concrete	$5,500 Plans $5	100,000
DISTRICT No. 5, E. G. H. Youngmann, District Engineer, State Office Bldg., 65 Court Street, Buffalo 2, New York						
Erie (Int Tour Rte. 190)	N.T. 60-1	New York State Thruway, Niagara Section Sub N-8S (South Grand Island Bridge and Approaches)	1.40 (0.34 Acc.)	9" Cem. Conc. Pavt. 25' & Var.=1.26 Mi. (Plus 0.34 Mi Conc Access); Misc Work=0 14 Mi; Cant Deck Truss & Gird Br 27 Sp 3383 1' Toll Plaza & Facilities	$435,000 Plans $100 Full Size Only	7,925,000
DISTRICT No 6, J H Thomas, District Engineer, State Office Bldg, 30 West Main Street, Hornell, New York						
Allegany (Rte. 21)	R C 60-35	Andover-Alfred Station-Almond, S H 5502	6.61	Asph Conc =4 61 Mi Misc Work=2 00 Mi	$22,000 Plans $5	397,000
Schuyler (Rte. 224)	FARC 60-31	Montour Falls-Alpine, Pt 1 S H 1232; Montour Falls-Alpine, Pt 2 S H 999; Odessa-Mecklenburg, Pt 1 S H 1655 Project F-FG-479(15), F-400(6)	4.55	Asph Conc =4 54 Mi; Misc Work=0 01 Mi; Cant Welded Girds Comp 3 Pc 290 5' Total; R R G S Single Span Pl Gird 84 2'	$116,000 Plans $5	2,107,000
Steuben	FASS 60-22	Purdy Creek-Shovel Hollow C R 28 Project S-541(1)	0.61	Asphalt Concrete	$7,000 Plans $5	120,000
DISTRICT No 7, R W Sweet, District Engineer, 444 Van Duzee Street, Watertown, New York						
Jefferson (Rtes. 11, 12, 37)	T C 60-2	Watertown-Clayton, Pt 1 S H 5140 Watertown-Theresa, Pt 1 S H 565 Watertown-Philadelphia, Pt 1 S H 5651	....	Traffic Signals	$500 Plans $5	$8,500
District No 8, K G Rauer, District Engineer, Pleasant Valley Road, Poughkeepsie, New York						
Columbia	FASS 60-3	Old Chatham-Rayville-Brainart, C R 78 Project S-569(1)	4.67	Calcium Chloride Treated Stabilized Gravel	$30,000 Plans $5	548,000
Columbia & Dutchess	R C 60-29	24 various Highways in District 8 on Routes 9G, 82A, 343, 82, 52	91.2	Subsealing Cem Conc Pavt	$6,000 Plans $5	106,000
Orange & Ulster	R S 60-28	19 Various Highways in District 8 on Routes 6, 9W, 17A, 32, 52, 84, 94, 207, 209, 210	83.63	Subsealing Cem Conc Pavt	$6,000 Plans $5	103,000
Westchester (Int. Tour Rte 87)	FITATS 60-1	New York State Thruway Southern Westchester Conn Sub 11 (N Y City Line-Tuckahoe Road) Hudson Section-Sub. 10 (Tuckahoe Rd. Tarrytown) Project 1-87-2(15)	11.09	Traffic Signs	$9,000 Plans $5	159,000
DISTRICT No 9, J C Frederick, District Engineer, 71 Frederick Street, Binghamton, New York						
Broome (Int. Tour Rte. 81)	FITS 60-4	Interstate Route 505 S H No Fish 60-3P (Pennsylvania State Line to Route 17 at Five Mile Point) Project I-81-1(7)	7.49 (3.54 Acc.)	Traffic Signs and Delineators	$1,600 Plans $5	28,000
Broome (Int. Tour Rte. 81)	FISH 60-3P	Interstate Route 505 Pennsylvania State Line-Five Mile Point (Penn -N Y State Line to Sunset Drive) Project I-81-1(6)	7.49 (1.24 Acc.)	9" Cem Conc Pavt 2 @ 24' Var =7 29 Mi; Misc Work=0 20 Mi (Access Cem Conc Pavt 0 77 Mi; Asph Conc 0 47 Mi)	$145,000 Plans $5	2,645,000
Broome (Rte. 79)	R C 60-48	River Road-Windsor, Pt 2, S H 213; Ouaquaga Road, S H 212; Harpursville-Ouaquaga, S H 1166	4.77	Asphalt Concrete	$11,000 Plans $5	187,000
Delaware (Rte. 10)	FARC 60-32	Walton Village: Delaware St, S H 9268; Rock Rift-Colchester, S H 1271: Colchester-Delancey, S H 1272 Project F-845(5)	5.56	Asphalt Concrete	$70,000 Plans $5	1,187,000
Delaware (Rel. Rte 10)	BWS 60-2	City of New York: Board of Water Supply Road No 1 (Cannonsville Reservoir)	6.04 (1.23 Acc.)	Asph Conc =7 17 Mi Misc Work=0 10 Mi	$190,000 Plans $5	3,436,000
Delaware (Rte. 30)	R C 60-40	Roxbury-Grand Gorge, S H 5459	5.66	Asphalt Concrete	$14,000 Plans $5	235,000
Sullivan (Rte. 17)	FATS 60-6	Monticello-Liberty, Pt 1 S H 5035 Monticello-Liberty, Pt 2 S H 5322 Project F-336(21); F-495(15)	8.02 (7.03 Acc.)	Traffic Signs and Delineators	$3,000 Plans $5	51,000
DISTRICT No 10, M E Goul, District Engineer, 325 W Main Street, Babylon, L I, New York						
Suffolk	SSPRC 60-1	Southern State Parkway (Captree State Parkway to Heckscher State Parkway)	1.37 (1.43 Acc.)	8" Cem Conc. Pavt. 2 @ 37.5' & Var.=1.28 Mi.; Misc. Work=0.09 Mi.; Acc. 8" Cem. Conc. Pavt.=1.43 Mi; 5 Hwy. Gr. Sps. 2 Conc. Rigid Frames 70' & 67' 2 Comp. WF Beams 67.8' & 73.4'; 1 Plate Girder 109' Span	$195,000 Plans $5	3,557,000

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Any projects in this letting that are on the Federal Aid highway systems are subject to the provisions of the "Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1956", being Public Law 627, 84th Congress, approved June 29, 1956, and are also subject to the applicable New York State statutes.

In compliance with the provisions of Section 115 (Prevailing Rate of Wage), Public Law 627, the minimum wages to be paid laborers and mechanics are included in wage schedules that are set out in the bid proposal.

Maps, plans, specifications and proposal forms may be seen and obtained at the office of the State Department of Public Works, Bureau of Contracts, Albany, N. Y., and at the office of the District Engineers noted above, and may also be seen at the office of the State Department of Public Works, 270 Broadway, New York City.

The deposit for Plans and Proposal Forms for each contract is indicated above. A refund will be made in full to bidders for return of one set, in good condition, within 30 days of award, or rejection of bids; refund for all other sets in good condition, similar period, will be 50% of deposit.

Special attention of bidders is called to "Information for Bidders" in the Public Works Specifications, and to the special provisions applying to projects financed with federal funds. Award of a contract is subject to priorities and allocations under the Defense Production Act of 1950, as Amended, and all regulations issued thereunder.

Proposal for each contract must be submitted in a separate sealed envelope with the name and number of the contract plainly endorsed on the outside of the envelope. Each proposal must be accompanied by draft or certified check payable to the order of the "State of New York, Commissioner of Taxation and Finance" for the sum as specified in the advertisement and the proposal. The retention and disposal of the bidding check, the execution of the contract and bond shall conform to the provisions of the Highway Laws, as set forth in "Information for Bidders".

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

J. BURCH McMORRAN
SUPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS

Bids: April 20, 1960.

Notice To Road and Bridge Contractors

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION—DIVISION OF PURCHASES

Sealed Proposals addressed to the State Purchasing Agent, Rhode Island Department of Administration, Division of Purchases, 125 State House, Providence 2, Rhode Island, will be received until 11:30 A.M. on the 20 day of April 1960, at which time they will be opened and read in public.

R. I. Contract No. 6053, R. I. Federal-Aid Project No. 1-95-2 (3) 36, County of Providence, Interstate Route 95, Providence, Rhode Island. Construction consists of the Interstate Route 95 starting near Public Street on the west side of Allens Avenue and proceeds northwesterly to the existing freeway in the Hayward Park area as shown on the Plans, including Lanes "A" and "B" of the divided highway, Lanes "J", "K" and "D" in the vicinity of the Hayward Park area, connecting Ramp Nos. AR-1, AR-2, BR-1 and CR-1, Service Road Nos. 1, 2 and 3, steel stringer and concrete deck bridge Nos. 531 and 533 through 537, prestressed concrete girder bridge No. 538, prestressed concrete slab bridge No. 539, roads, paving, walks, abutments, piers, embankments, curbing, utilities, together with excavation, drainage facilities, and all other appurtenant parts of the work, complete and accepted.

Bids for the above work must be made on blanks furnished by the Department of Public Works, Division of Roads and Bridges. Plans, Specifications and Special Provisions may be examined at Room 125 State House or Room 224 State Office Building, Providence, Rhode Island, on and after April 1, 1960, every week day except Saturdays and holidays, between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. Blanks for submitting Proposals may be obtained through the office of the State Purchasing Agent at the address above noted. A deposit of $350.00 shall be made for each set of contract documents which will be refunded if Plans and Specifications are returned in good condition within two weeks after the opening of bids.

A certified check or bid bond payable to the State of Rhode Island, in the amount of $150,000.00 must be furnished by each bidder. This Proposal Guaranty will be returned after the contract has been executed unless forfeited in accordance with the stipulations in the Proposal. A performance bond of one hundred (100) percent of the contract price with a satisfactory surety company will be required of the successful bidder. The Division of Purchases reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

FEDERAL REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS: The attention of prospective bidders is called to the fact that this project is to be bid upon and the contract executed under the rules and regulations for carrying out the provisions of the Federal-Aid Road Act, as amended and supplemented, and the Required Provisions for Federal-Aid Contracts.

WAGES OF LABOR ON INTERSTATE HIGHWAY PROJECTS: The prevailing rate of wages for laborers and mechanics employed by contractors or subcontractors on the initial construction of highway projects on the Interstate System, authorized under the Federal Highway Act of 1956 shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on the same type of work on similar construction in the immediate locality as determined by the United States Secretary of Labor in accordance with the act of August 30, 1935, known as the Davis-Bacon Act, under Decision No. U-18, 225, which is part of the contract.

Title 37, Chapter 13 of the General Laws of 1956, requires that "the contractor to whom the contract is awarded and any subcontractor under him shall have ordinarily paid the prevailing rate of per diem wages and shall continue to pay the prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for regular, holiday, overtime and other working conditions to all workmen needed to execute the contract or work". The schedule of prevailing wage rates of per diem wages in the locality in which the work is to be performed for each craft, mechanic, teamster, laborer or type of workman needed to execute the contract or work is on file in the office of the Rhode Island Department of Labor.

On State, City and Town projects, Title 37, Chapter 13, Section 14 of the General Laws of 1956, requires that Rhode Island citizens be given preference in employment.

SUBLETTING OR ASSIGNING THE CONTRACT: The attention of bidders is directed to the Standard Specifications and Special Provisions covering subletting or assigning the contract.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION
DIVISION OF PURCHASES
By R. Henry Field
State Purchasing Agent

District of Columbia—Highway Construction—Dept. of Hwys. & Traffic, March 25, 1960. CONSTRUCTING THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ABUTMENT FOR THE THEODORE ROOSEVELT BRIDGE, CONTRACT NO. 2, Federal Aid Interstate Project No. I-66-1(6)0, Invitation No. C-60125-H, consisting of approx. 3,122 cu. yds. Class B Concrete in footings; 2,693 cu. yds. Class B Concrete in Abutment Wall; 20,100 Lin. Ft. Concrete filled pipe piles; 1,188 Cu. Yds. Regular coursed, dressed dimension granite masonry, including backing concrete; and 1,670 cu. yds. Broken course dressed granite masonry, including backing concrete. Wage Rates have been predetermined by Labor Dept. "Pre-bid meeting will be held to answer questions bidders may have on the project on April 12, 1960, 9:00 A.M., E.S.T., Room 500, District Building, 14th and E Sts., N.W., Wash. 4, D. C." Bid forms, plans and specifications are now available from Supervisor, Bid & Contract Division, Procurement Office, D. C., Room 404, 499 Penn. Ave., N.W. upon deposit of a certified check for $50.00 per set, payable to D. C. Treasurer (Phone NA 8-6000, Ext. 2378). SEALED BIDS to be opened 3:00 PM, EST, April 21, 1960, in Room 424, 499 Penn. Ave. N.W.

U. S. Government

Department of Commerce, Bureau of Public Roads, April 1, 1960. SEALED BIDS will be received at the office of Mr. C. H. Buchanan, Division Engineer, Bureau of Public Roads, First National Bank Building, Florence, Alabama, until 10:00 a.m., C.S.T., May 3, 1960, for Project 3D22-3E8, Natchez Trace Parkway, Lee, Pontotoc and Chickasaw Counties, Mississippi. Bituminous Concrete Pavement, Stabilized Shoulders, and other work from US Highway 45 26.987 miles to Mississippi Highway 32. The approximate quantities of the more important items are: 3,200 tons Gravel Material for Stabilized Shoulders and 54,000 tons Hot Bituminous Concrete Pavement. Minimum wage rates have been fixed as required by law. Plans, specifications and bid forms are available upon request at the address given above or Bureau of Public Roads, 1440 Columbia Pike, Arlington 4, Virginia. F. W. Cron, Regional Engineer.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation. Sealed bids (Specifications No. DC-5297) will be received at Albuquerque, New Mexico, until 10 a.m., Mountain Standard Time, April 28, 1960, for furnishing labor and materials for channelization of the Rio Grande, Belen Area, Unit 2, Belen Division, Middle Rio Grande Project, New Mexico. Location near Belen, New Mexico. Principal items are 558 acres clearing; 240,000 cu. yds. excavation for pilot channel; 63,200 cu. yds. embankments; 6,800 units—Metal jack units for jetty lines; and other work. Completion time 360 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, P. O. Box 252, Albuquerque, New Mexico; P. O. Box 1609 Amarillo, Texas; or Building 53, Denver Federal Center, Denver 25, Colorado. Floyd E. Dominy, Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation. Sealed bids (Specifications No. DC-5307) will be received at Klamath Falls, Oregon until 10 a.m., Pacific Standard Time, May 17, 1960, for furnishing labor and materials for earthwork and structures for canal, lateral, and drains, Sump 2, Contract Unit 2, Tule Lake Division, Oregon-California, Klamath Project. Location near Tule Lake, California. Principal items are 316,000 cu. yds. excavation; 31,000 cu. yds. earth lining; 70 cu. yds. concrete in structures; 1,534 lin. ft. corrugated-metal pipe; various slide gates and metalwork; and other work. Completion time 200 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, P. O. Box 312, Klamath Falls, Oregon; P. O. Box 2511, Sacramento 11, California; or Building 53, Denver Federal Center, Denver 25, Colorado. Floyd E. Dominy, Commissioner.

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OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

Bids: April 21, 1960

Port Authority Airports Coal Tar Pitch Emulsion Treatment of Pavement

THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
CONTRACT O & M-572

Sealed proposals for furnishing and applying coat tar pitch emulsion seal coating on pavement at LaGuardia Airport, New York International Airport, Teterboro Airport, and Newark Airport will be received at the office of the Department of Purchase and Administrative Services of The Port of New York Authority, Room 900, 111 Eighth Avenue, New York 11, New York, until 11:00 A.M. Thursday, April 21, 1960, at which time and place said proposals will be opened and read.

Contract documents may be seen at the office of the Department of Purchase and Administrative Services, Room 900, and copies will be furnished upon deposit of $10.00 per set. Deposit must be delivered to Treasury Department, Room 1001, where a receipt will be issued. The receipt is then to be delivered to the Department of Purchase and Administrative Services, who will furnish the contract documents. The deposit will be remitted if the documents are returned in good condition, not later than thirty days after the opening of proposals. The deposit will be forefeited if the documents are not returned within thirty days.

THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
S. Sloan Colt, Chairman

New York, April 7, 1960

Bids: April 26, 1960

La Guardia Airport Rehabilitation of the Easterly Apron

THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
CONTRACT LGA-310.205

Sealed proposals for the rehabilitation of the easterly apron and adjacent paved areas at LaGuardia Airport will be received at the office of the Chief Engineer of The Port of New York Authority, Room 1100, 111 Eighth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y., until 2:30 P.M. on Tuesday, April 26, 1960, at which time said proposals will be opened and read in Room 1108.

Contract documents may be seen at the Office of the Assistant Chief Engineer for Design of the Authority, Room 1115. Documents will be furnished upon deposit of $30.00 per set for not more than three sets to any one company (each set including one copy of the contract drawings). Additional sets will be furnished upon payment of $30.00 per set, which payment is not returnable. Deposits and payments shall be delivered to the Treasury Department, Room 1001, where a receipt will be issued. The receipt shall be delivered to Room 1115, where the documents will be furnished.

Those who have submitted a bid on the contract directly to the Authority will receive a refund of the deposit for each set of documents, not exceeding three, returned within forty days after the opening of proposals. Those who have not submitted a bid will receive a refund of one-half of the deposit for each set of documents, not exceeding three, returned within forty days after the opening of proposals.

THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
S. Sloan Colt, Chairman

New York, April 7, 1960

U. S. Government

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation. Sealed bids (Specifications No. DC-5305) will be received at Yuma, Arizona, until 10 a.m., Mountain Standard Time, May 11, 1960, for furnishing labor and materials for earthwork, concrete lining, and structures, Wellton-Mohawk Main Conveyance Channel, Station 2377+05 to Station 3304+22.59, and Snyder Ranch Conveyance Channel for Wellton-Mohawk Drainage System, Wellton-Mohawk Division, Gila Project, Arizona. Location east of Yuma, Arizona. Principal items are 335,000 cu. yds. excavation; 240 cu. yds. concrete in structures; 10,600 cu. yds. concrete in channel lining; 6,829 lin. ft. concrete pipe, 18 to 42-inch; and other work. Completion time 360 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, P. O. Bin 151, Yuma, Arizona; P. O. Box 427, Boulder City, Nevada; or Building 53, Denver Federal Center, Denver 25, Colorado. Floyd E. Dominy, Commissioner.

OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

Bids: April 25, 1960

City of Sherrill, New York Sewage Treatment Plant

Sealed proposals for construction of a Sewage Treatment Plant for the City of Sherrill, New York, will be received by the Clerk of the City Commission of the City of Sherrill, New York, at his office in the City Hall until 7:30 P. M. on April 25, 1960, and then will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Separate sealed proposals will be received for the following:

Contract No. 1—"General Construction"
Contract No. 2—"Heating and Ventilating"
Contract No. 3—"Plumbing"
Contract No. 4—"Electrical"

Construction of the Plant will include all treatment units, buildings, equipment, utilities, walks, drives, access roads, grading, landscaping, fencing, manholes, relocation of a portion of the outfall sewer, and everything required as set forth in the Contract Documents.

Information for Bidders, Plans and Specifications may be examined at the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, Sherrill, New York, or at the office of Stearns & Wheler, Civil and Sanitary Engineers, 99 Albany Street, Cazenovia, New York. Copies thereof may be obtained at the said office of the City Clerk upon deposit of $30.00 for each set (each set covers all four Contracts), to be held as security for their return, pursuant to law.

The City of Sherrill reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject all bids.

The final awarding of Contract is subject to the approval of the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Arthur F. Woodbury, Sr.
City Clerk, Sherrill, N. Y.

OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

U. S. Government

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation. Sealed bids (Specifications No. DC-5300) will be received at Clinton, Oklahoma, until 10 a.m., Central Standard Time, May 18, 1960, for furnishing labor and materials for earthwork, structures, concrete pipe and steel pipe, Foss Aqueduct, Clinton Lateral, Bessie Lateral, Cordell Lateral, Washita Basin Project, Foss Division, Oklahoma. Location near Clinton, Oklahoma, in Custer, Washita, and Kiowa Counties. Principal items are 408,000 cu. yds. excavation; 50 miles of concrete pressure pipe lines; and other work. Completion time 800 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, P. O. Box 84, Andarko, Oklahoma; P. O. Box 1609, Amarillo, Texas; or Building 53, Denver Federal Center, Denver 25, Colorado. Floyd E. Dominy, Commissioner.

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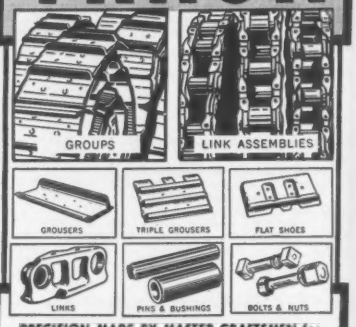

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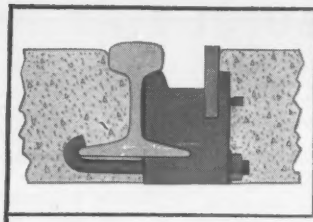

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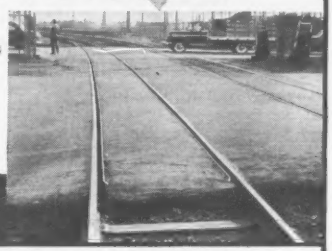

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To prevent overstressing when the concrete is least able to take it, reshoring must reduce spans and bending moments and distribute loads between two or more floors. Usual practice calls for reshoring two floors below the floor being cast.

The building official's inspection after the collapse disclosed careless reshoring in many areas of the building. Some of the pipe screw-jack reshores appeared to have been bent before installation. Some were not carefully plumbed. These two defects produce eccentric loading, which can lead to buckling failure at a fraction of the reshore's load capacity under concentric loading.

Plumbness of reshores should be carefully checked, perhaps with a carpenter's level or a plumb bob frame. Defective reshores should be removed and replaced. When timber reshores are used, tight wedging at the bottom and cap plates at the top are necessary to insure concentric bearing. Providing sufficient bearing area and rigidity in all timber mudsills is essential for all types of reshores.

Contractors, engineers, building inspectors and others concerned with construction safety must not let the fast pace of construction blind them to these important safety details. One or two defective reshores—slipping, settling or buckling under load—can trigger a serious failure.

Prosperity via Zoning

THE NECESSITY OF ZONING is widely recognized. There is abundant evidence that lack of zoning or underzoning permits overbuilding and the wrong type of occupancy, both of which can have a detrimental effect on the prosperity of a city. There is not nearly as much evidence of the equally bad effect of excessively restrictive zoning.

Because it purports to offer such evidence, a recently published book, "Offices in the Sky," a history of the skyscraper, by Earle Shultz and Walter Simmons (Bobbs-Merril Co.), is of interest. The authors contend that zoning has held back building construction in Chicago while it encouraged construction in New York City.

They point out that from 1914 to 1920, when business activity in the U.S. was increasing, building dropped off in Chicago. The city had placed a 200-ft limitation on building height in 1914. Equally significant, they say, was the seven-year building boom that started about a year after an increase in the height limit was permitted in 1920.

Again, in 1942, Chicago reduced the height limit, and again building declined during a period of sharply increasing business activity throughout the country.

Meanwhile, New York was busily augmenting its already famous skyline to house the great business expansion. Its passage of a zoning law in 1916, the first in the U.S., had created a highly favorable situation. The authors of "Offices in the Sky" believe that some of the business that went to New York wanted to go to Chicago and would have if it could have been accommodated there. But Chicago had not built enough office space; New York had.

This argument bolsters the theory that zoning can have a profound effect on the prosperity of a city. It can stimulate conditions that will attract business or repel it, that will create a healthy business climate or depress it, that will make the city a pleasant place in which to live and work or make it undesirable.

Therefore, it is important that a city regulate zoning. But it is equally important that its laws be not overly restrictive. A good zoning law must have just the right balance to permit orderly progress.

Nuclear Excavation

INSIGNIFICANT THOUGH IT BE compared with the main issue of avoiding nuclear warfare, construction, nevertheless, has its own special interest in the outcome of the nuclear test ban negotiations now so much in the news. This interest relates to the possibility of using underground explosions of small nuclear devices for cheap, large-scale excavation. Some experimental programs had actually been planned—excavation of a harbor in Alaska was one—but progress has been stymied by the moratorium on underground testing, which has now dragged on for 18 months.

Simply stated, the present situation is that the U.S. (at least the military and the AEC) wants to resume underground testing, while the Russians want to extend the moratorium for as much as five years while methods for detecting such tests are being sought. Because complete rejection of this proposal would give the Russians a propaganda advantage, the U.S. and Great Britain have agreed to a further extension of the underground test moratorium, but for a much shorter period. President Eisenhower is reported to favor a year's extension.

One can only hope that the wisdom of such a decision would prove to be justified by clear and safe steps toward world peace. In the meantime, however, progress toward developing the kind of small, reasonably non-radioactive explosion needed for excavation purposes will continue to be blocked. It is a sad commentary on the times.

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